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Emerald, and find the
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from disease, and in the
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APR 8 1904

GENERAL REMARKS.

I HAVE much pleasure in presenting you with my TWELFTH CATALOGUE OF TREES, and avail myself of the opportunity to thank my Customers for the support accorded me during the last thirteen seasons, and shall do my best to merit a continuance of their favours and recommendation.

I continue to import New Varieties in Fruits, such as should be of superior merit, from the most reliable sources, and every possible care is taken to have same correct; but mistakes will sometimes happen, and, although I take no responsibility *re* new varieties, I wish that any of my Customers would inform me of any error in this respect. If possible such Trees will be replaced, as I do not wish my Customers to be the losers. Many varieties I am unable to fruit on account of the climate here being rather cold, and I have to depend on others in a more suitable climate to try them. I would take it as a great favour if any of my Customers would furnish me with a report on any new variety that they may have fruited, as this would greatly help me in recommending or discarding same, as the case may be.

My Nurseries are situated in Gembrook, one mile and a half from Emerald Railway Station, on the Fern Tree Gully and Gembrook line. The Nurseries are now over one hundred acres in extent, and contain over one million trees in various stages. The soil is particularly suitable for producing nice fibrous-rooted trees, thus ensuring a safer removal to other places.

My stock of saleable trees this season is fully half-a-million, all being perfectly clean, healthy, free from all insect pests, and in the best possible condition. A certificate of examination by the Chief Inspector, Mr. Chas. French, Government Entomologist, to that effect can always be seen at my Nurseries. The Nurseries are regularly examined each season previous to sending out trees, and a Clean Certificate can be had with each consignment if required.

All trees are most carefully packed for transmission to any part of the world, so as to ensure their arrival in good order.

Orders will be booked at any time from now, and executed in the end of May or beginning of June. Every order is immediately executed on receipt of same, or acknowledged. If no reply be received within a few days, it may be assumed that the letter has miscarried.

The Prices quoted are for cash within one month of receipt of invoice.

Unknown Correspondents are kindly requested to remit with their orders, or to name a Melbourne reference.

Payments may be made by crossed cheque, bank draft, or post office order, the latter payable at Melbourne. Small amounts may be forwarded in postal notes or in stamps.

C. A. NOBELIUS.

GEMBROOK NURSERIES,

EMERALD, 1ST MARCH, 1904.

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CATALOGUE

ALMONDS.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Brandes Jordan—A well-known variety of strong growth, very tender shell.

Burbank's Seedling—A variety from Luther Burbank; tree extremely hardy and a great bearer; recommended as one of the best for this climate, and flowers much later than other sorts.

Early Jordan—An early variety of the "Paper Shell."

Golden State—Originated in California; described as a great and regular bearer; large, with a full, smooth-skinned kernel, and a soft shell.

Hawthorn Seedling—Medium size; good bearer, strong grower.

I.X.L.—A very good variety from California; large nuts, perfect shell.

Lewelling—Also a Californian seedling; tree a thrifty grower and enormous bearer; fine soft shell.

Nonpareil—A heavy and regular bearer, with very thin shell.

Paper Shell—Very good, easily broken between the fingers.

Sultana—Medium size, fruit well flavoured, shell tender.

APPLES (GENERAL COLLECTION)

All on Blight-proof Stocks, and Perfectly Clean.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Adams' Pearmain—First-class dessert, one of the best; late.

Adams' Pearmain (Tasmania)—This apple is known as Adams' Pearmain in Tasmania, and is much esteemed as a mid-season dessert apple; medium.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Albury Park Nonsuch—A large, heavy apple of first-rate quality as a culinary apple, and a good keeper. The tree is vigorous, and an enormous cropper. Award of Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Alfriston—A large cooking apple, and splendid keeper; late.

Allsopp's Beauty—A late apple of great beauty; deep crimson colour, covered with bluish bloom; it is a good dessert and cooking variety; strong grower and blight-proof; with me a shy bearer.

Amassia—Fruit small, highly coloured and of a pleasant flavour; it is excellent in a tart, and requires no sugar.

Annie Elizabeth—An excellent culinary apple for winter use; late.

Armored—A dessert apple of highest quality; late.

Atalanta—A valuable mid-season variety, medium to large, yellow-red streaks on one side; culinary and dessert.

Baldwin—Very hardy late bearer, first-class dessert; late.

Baumann's Red Winter Reinette—Exceedingly handsome; late.

Beauty of Bath—A valuable addition to our extra early dessert apples. Fruit medium size, round, a little flattened; skin yellowish green, beautifully striped and spotted with crimson in the sun, flesh slightly yellowish, with a brisk, rich spicy flavour; a superior early apple, good bearer.

Ben Davis—Excellent market variety, dessert; late.

Black Ben Davis—Seedling from "Ben Davis," introduced from United States, America. It is a decided improvement, more beautiful, solid red colour, better quality, better keeper, surer cropper, and should need no further recommendation; late.

Blenheim Orange—A large culinary and dessert apple; late.

Blondin—Handsome and a good keeper; late.

Bowmont Beauty—Medium size, cooking and dessert, good grower, heavy bearer; medium to late.

Brownlee's Russet—An excellent late apple, suitable either for cooking or dessert.

Buncombe—A beautiful dessert apple of good quality; late.

Calville Blanche d'Hiver—A valuable cooking and dessert apple; very late.

Carolina Red June—Fruit below medium size, highly coloured; dessert; early.

Cellini—Dessert and cooking, a good bearer; medium.

Chandler—A large dessert and cooking apple; late.

Claygate Pearmain—Greenish yellow, nearly covered with brownish red, rich aromatic, a good bearer; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Cleopatra—A splendid apple in some districts; late.

Cliff's Seedling—Fruit large, "Pearmain" shaped, and most highly coloured, with a beautiful bright gloss all over. Flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; a late keeper and invaluable market variety; tree remarkable for its upright and vigorous growth, perfectly blight-proof; late.

Commerce—A new American apple of great beauty, with two shades of red, and a heavy blue bloom; of large size, nearly round, very solid and perfect in every way; it is a great bearer, and does not blow off the tree; quality is first-rate, and it will keep till November; late.

Cooper's Market—A good keeping dessert apple, very productive; late.

Cornish Aromatic—Medium size, rich red with yellow russet dots, with a rich aromatic flavour, dessert; late.

Cox's Orange Pippin—Grand dessert, flavour excellent; late.

Crow's Egg—Constant bearer, good colour; late.

D'Arcy's Spice—One of the most popular and useful of all late sorts. Being such a good and almost indispensable dessert variety of good flavour and firm flesh, should be much sought after when well known.

Delicious—A most beautiful and delicious apple from Iowa. Tree a strong grower, hardy and most prolific bearer, fine colour, like "Jonathan," and most exquisite flavour. One of the best late keeping apples.

Devonshire Quarrenden—A highly-coloured apple; early.

Dougherty—Medium size, almost covered with bright red, a very fine dessert apple, good bearer; late.

Dr. Hogg—A large culinary apple, strong grower and early bearer; late.

Duchess of Oldenburg—Very handsome, good market variety; early.

Duke of Clarence.

Dumelow's Seedling—A first-rate culinary apple, much used for jelly making; late.

Dunn's Seedling—(*Syn.* "Munro's Favourite.")

Early Margaret—The earliest of all, but will not keep.

Early Richmond—Medium size, good flavour, and a prolific bearer. Tree robust grower, with large leaves resembling "Red Astrachan," blight-proof; early.

Early Rivers—Tree robust and prolific, fruit of excellent flavour, ripening a week earlier than "Lord Suffield," and said to be much superior to that apple; early.

Emperor Alexander—An excellent large culinary apple, and a good market variety; early.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

England's Glory—(Gascoigne Scarlet)—A very handsome red-cheeked apple, from Kent, free grower, and a great bearer, a first-class dessert apple.

Esopus Spitzenberg—A most beautiful apple, richly flavoured; late.

Fall Beauty—Large, beautiful, waxy yellow, an excellent culinary apple; blight-proof.

Fearn's Pippin—A splendid apple for all purposes; late.

Five Crown Pippin—(See "London Pippin.")

Forth's Gipslander—A handsome large variety, and can be used either for cooking or dessert.

Foxwhelp—One of the best cider apples; medium.

Framboise d'Holovous (Holovous' Raspberry Apple)—One of the best Bohemian varieties. Fruit yellow, with a crimson cheek, flesh white, striped with red; melting, juicy, with a strong flavour of Raspberries. Tree vigorous and prolific; late.

Frampton—A very pretty apple, dessert; late and keeps well.

French Crab—A popular market sort, keeps long; late.

Garibaldi (Adelaide)—Medium size, skin yellow on shaded side, bright crimson on side next the sun; flesh pale yellowish white; juicy, sweet, and richly flavoured; in season from May to September.

Gloria Mundi (Allenbank Seedling)—A very large cooking apple; medium.

Glowing Coal—A large, very highly coloured apple.

Golden Ball—A fine, large, golden coloured apple; medium.

Golden Harvey—Small size, a very richly-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Golden Reinette—This is the best of all the export apples, being very pretty, keeps well, of first-class flavour, and a heavy bearer; being subject to the woolly aphis, the tree requires to be kept clean; medium.

Golden Russet—An excellent dessert apple; late.

Golden Spire—This is one of the finest early cooking apples, in use from middle of December to March; an early and regular bearer.

Gooseberry—One of the latest cooking varieties; late.

Granny Smith—Large and juicy, of a greenish yellow colour; well known and much esteemed in New South Wales; late.

Gravenstein—A splendid apple, good flavour and colour; early.

Gravenstein Rouge—Fruit medium, conical, yellow and red. Flesh rich and juicy; a great bearer; early.

Hambling's Seedling—Large, pale, flushed with rose. The flavour is very good, being suitable for dessert, cooking, or making jelly. Raised by Major W. J. Hambling, of Dunstable, England, and is believed to be a seedling from "Peasgood's Nonsuch."

Hall Door—A highly-coloured apple, of medium size and good flavour, well known in Tasmania; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Herefordshire Beefing—Small, but very heavy for its size, a fine culinary apple; late.

Hoary Morning—Handsome and good; early.

Hoover—A beautifully-coloured apple, keeps well; late.

Irish Peach—Good bearer and does not blight; early.

John Sharp—A seedling from "Pomme de Neige," and is perhaps the best of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings; perfectly blight-proof, enormously productive, large size, most handsome appearance; good in shape and colour, and keeps over a long season. The hardiest and best apple of its season.

John Toon—A nice dessert apple; medium.

Jonathan—A most beautiful fruit for all purposes; medium.

Jupp's Surprise—A very early apple, keeps and carries well.

Kentucky Redstreak—A good apple, but liable to spot; late.

Keswick Codlin—A valuable early culinary apple.

King of the Pippins—Very handsome, fine flavour, dessert; late.

King of Tomkins County—A large and handsome apple, dessert and cooking; late.

Kirk's Admirable—A good cooking apple; medium.

Kooroochiang—A colonial seedling, raised by Mr. R. Whatmore, of Smeaton; it is a strong grower, said to be a good bearer and a good keeper. This apple is fruiting with me this season, and is really a first-class variety.

Lady Carrington—Beautiful bright red, very prolific, and said to be blight-proof; early.

Lady Henniker—Fine, large, and regular bearer, cooking and dessert; medium.

Lane's Prince Albert—Richly flavoured, great bearer; late.

Lang's Best—Fruit medium size, covered all over with dark crimson; flesh white, juicy, and briskly flavoured; a very handsome apple, and keeps well; in use from April to October.

Lawrence—A fine apple, similar in growth and fruit, excepting colour, to "Reinette du Canada"; late.

London Pippin—One of the very best apples for all purposes; late.

Lord Nelson—A large culinary apple; medium.

Lord Suffield—A splendid cooking apple, heavy bearer; early.

Lord Wolesley—Heavy bearer, good cooking and dessert; late.

Magg's Seedling—A showy apple, blight-proof; late.

Maiden's Blush—A beautiful culinary apple; medium.

Mann—Large deep yellow, good bearer, and keeps well; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

McIndoe's Russet—The fruit is large and rather flattened, with prominent ribs, of a brown russet colour, and of excellent flavour. The tree is of moderate growth, and an excellent bearer.

McMahon's White—Fruit large, well shaped, with white flesh, fine grained, and of excellent quality. The trees bear young, and are vigorous, healthy, and productive, said to be a first-class market variety, and blight-proof: medium.

Melon's Seedling—Medium size, good colour, flavour excellent; late.

Morgan's Seedling—A very heavy bearer, small fruit, keeps well, good flavour; late.

Mother—A beautiful and fine-flavoured dessert apple; late.

Mr. Gladstone—Handsome and good, but will not keep; early.

Munroe's Favourite—One of the best for all purposes; late.

Newman's Seedling—A very large apple, beautifully striped and good bearer; late.

Newton Wonder—Large, well coloured, perfect form, splendid cooking quality; tree vigorous and very productive; one of the best late apples.

Newtown Pippin—Medium size, yellow, fine flavour; a first-class apple where it does well; late.

Nickajack—Large and handsome, cooking or dessert; late.

Northern Spy—A splendid dessert apple; late.

Ohinemuri—(*Syn.* "Munroe's Favourite.")

Oregon Mammoth Black Twig—Vigorous grower, and very hardy; fruit very large, many specimens measuring 12 inches in circumference; colour dark red; flesh firm, long keeper.

Paragon—The tree bears very young, and is productive. Fruit large roundish, somewhat flattened, dark red; flesh firm, yellow, crisp, aromatic, sub-acid, and juicy; it is a very late keeper and of excellent quality.

Peasgood's Nonsuch—A magnificent apple of enormous size; medium.

Perfection (Shepherd's)—A very handsome dessert variety; late.

Pomme de Neige—Flesh white, a fine market apple; medium.

Prince Alfred—A very large apple, first-class either as a dessert or cooking, will keep for eight months; medium.

Prince Bismarck—A splendid, large, and well-coloured apple, one of the best market sorts; medium.

Prince of the Pippins—A beautiful dessert apple, and very heavy bearer; medium.

Red Astrachan—A very early, highly-coloured, soft-fleshed apple; early.

Reinette du Canada—A large, popular apple, combining many good qualities; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

- Rhode Island Greening**—Large, colour green; of first-rate quality for all culinary purposes, and excellent also for dessert. A most valuable export apple; late.
- Ribston Pippin**—A well-known dessert variety; medium.
- Rokewood (Bullock's Seedling)**—A highly-coloured colonial-raised apple, and probably the best keeping variety of all; late.
- Rome Beauty**—A beautiful late apple and heavy bearer, one of the best.
- Ruby Gem**—A beautiful apple of medium size, brilliant red all over, flesh snowy white, tender, crisp, juicy, mild, sub-acid and delicious, strong grower and early bearer; blight-proof: medium.
- Ruby Pearmain**—Fruit "Pearmain" shaped, of medium size, nearly covered with red, and of good quality, tree hardy and good grower, blight-proof; late.
- Rymer**—Skin red, an old favourite, long keeper; late.
- Rymer (Cole's)**—A highly-coloured dessert apple of good quality and heavy bearer; late.
- Santa Clara King**—A large roundish apple with yellow skin and red blush on the exposed side, flesh very crisp and juicy; good for all purposes; a good market variety; early.
- Scarlet Nonpareil**—A handsome, good-keeping, dessert variety; late.
- Scarlet Pearmain**—One of the prettiest apples grown, good dessert; medium.
- Schroeder's**—Dessert and cooking; a fine variety, raised by Mr. E. Schroeder, Castlemaine.
- Scotch Red Streak**—Very much resembling "Gravenstein," and ripening at the same time.
- Selector**—A first-class late apple.
- Senator**—A new apple of superior merit. For rare beauty and singularly fine quality the choice of everyone. The great show apple at the World's Fair. Just the right size to attract buyers. Tree a vigorous grower and regular bearer; flesh yellowish white and of exquisite quality.
- Sharp's Early**—Raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. Perfectly blight-proof as far as tested. Fruit of medium size and most handsome appearance, yellow ground, covered with red and crimson stripes; tree a regular and heavy cropper; ripens early in January, one of the best early dessert apples.
- Sharp's Late Red**—A variety raised by Mr. H. E. Sharp. It is a vigorous grower, hardy and prolific; fruit large; flesh yellow, firm, juicy, melting, with a rich aromatic flavour; colour, bright red on yellow ground, mottled and streaked with bright crimson; in season from June to December. An invaluable variety for any collection. The parent tree has shown no signs of woolly aphid.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

Sharp's Nonsuch—Another of Mr. H. E. Sharp's seedlings. Vigorous grower and blight-proof; skin deep yellow striped with red; flesh yellow, tender, and very juicy; pleasant flavour; medium.

Shockley—A very pretty, highly-coloured apple of good keeping qualities; late.

Shorland Queen—A very beautiful dessert apple; medium.

Stansill—Medium size; yellowish green, blush on the sunny side; early bearer; good; late.

Statesman—A local seedling raised by Mr. W. Chandler, "Como," Bayswater. The tree is an upright grower and good bearer; fruit, bright golden, striped and shaded with crimson; a good dessert and cooking variety. The raiser has kept same in good condition as late as December.

Stone Pippin—A well-known apple, and one of the best where it does well; late.

Sturmer Pippin—A constant bearer, good dessert and a long keeper; late.

Taunton—Large, conical yellow, with dark red cheek; flesh yellow, crisp, highly flavoured; tree productive and vigorous; medium.

Taupaki—A New Zealand variety, most highly coloured and perfectly-shaped fruit, a yellow ground streaked and striped with bright crimson, a good keeper, with a delicious "Spy" flavour. Trees come into bearing when quite young; a sure and heavy cropper; tree perfectly blight-proof, having been thoroughly tested under various conditions. Useful for all purposes.

The Queen—In England this is considered one of the most beautiful varieties grown; cooking and dessert; late.

Thomson's Long Keeper.

Trivett's Seedling—A medium-sized apple, good colour, heavy bearer, and blight-proof; medium.

Twenty Ounce—A very large culinary apple; medium.

Wagener—Medium size; a Canadian apple of great merit, flavour very good, colour bright red; late.

Whiney's Late Red—Large, deep red, resembling "Ben Davis," but of much better quality; good grower, a valuable long-keeping and export apple.

White Nonpareil—A richly flavoured dessert apple; late.

William Anderson—A very pretty dessert apple, above medium size, good flavour, and keeps well; tree blight-proof; late.

APPLES (CONTINUED).

William's Favourite—A very handsome dessert apple ; early.

Winter Majetin—A good cooking apple, blight-proof ; late.

Winter Peach—Medium size, cream colour, flesh very tender and juicy, with fine acidity, a valuable cooking apple and keeps well ; late.

Winter Strawberry—A useful, late keeping variety, dessert ; late.

Wolf River—A most magnificent and valuable apple. A good dessert, and yet most excellent cooker ; it is very large, yet, unlike other apples, it does not drop. Some specimens measured 15 inches round, and weighed 21 ounces. Colour, yellow ground, splashed and striped with lively red.

Worcester Pearmain—Medium size ; a handsome early kitchen and dessert apple, free bearer, and a favourite market apple ; early.

Yates--An exceedingly handsome dessert apple ; late.

APPLES.

New and of Recent Introduction.

Akerö—A Swedish apple of high quality, medium size, handsome salmon colour ; early. 2/6 each.

Bielo Borodawka—Fruit clear yellow and pale rose, red striated on the sunny side, very large and prolific, supposed to be an improvement on "Emperor Alexander" ; medium. 2/- each.

Cardinal (*syn.* "Peter the Great")—An apple from the Crimea, bears abundantly and makes a pretty fruitful pyramid. Flesh sprightly, sweet and transparent ; colour of the fruit yellow, flecked with red ; early. 2/6 each.

Carlton—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy." Tree blight-proof ; a strong thrifty grower, and most prolific bearer ; fruit very large, yellow-striped, and suffused with carmine ; flesh crisp, juicy and delicious flavour. 2/- each.

Climax—Another perfectly blight-proof apple, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith. Fruit is above medium size, and roundish, skin clear waxy yellow, streaked and dotted on the sunny side with lively crimson ; flesh yellow, crisp, juicy, tender, and of honeyed sweetness. Season of ripening between "Irish Peach" and "Gravenstein," thus forming a valuable succession. 2/- each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Foster—This beautiful apple was raised by Mr. W. N. Foster, of Neerim South. It is of a most beautiful colour, and of very fine flavour, coming into use in February. It will fill up a gap in the market between the very early apples and "Jonathan," when good dessert apples are scarce. I feel sure it will sell before any other apple at that season, and will keep, if necessary, to middle of April. So far, the parent trees have not been affected with the woolly aphis; it is a free grower and heavy bearer. This will, no doubt, become our very best early export apple. 3/6 each, 30/- per dozen.

General Carrington—Raised by Mr. J. F. Smith, from "Northern Spy" pips. Tree of strong, vigorous, upright habit, and perfectly blight-proof. Fruit large and handsome, skin yellow, beautifully striped crimson, flesh yellowish white, rich, crisp, juicy, and sugary, of delicious flavour, much like the "Ribston Pippin." An exceedingly prolific bearer. A valuable late-keeping dessert apple of the highest excellence. 2/- each.

Grand Sultan (*syn.* "Yellow Transparent")—An early Russian apple of considerable merit; an abundant bearer; fruit brisk, sugary and refreshing; flesh transparent; common in the Baltic provinces of Russia. A capital boy's apple. 2/6 each.

Hay's Midseason—Fruits of large, even size, and most handsome appearance, beautifully striped bright carmine on a greenish yellow ground; flesh, firm, yellow, crisp, juicy, sweet, and of exquisite flavour; tree extremely hardy, a regular and heavy bearer, and absolutely blight-proof; resembles the "Northern Spy" in its habit of growth; a valuable addition to the list of blight-proof apples. 2/6 each.

Lady Hopetoun—This first-class dessert apple was raised by Mr. M. E. Schroeder, of Castlemaine. In appearance it very much resembles "Jonathan"; the raiser says the tree is perfectly blight-proof, and that the fruit hangs well until the end of April, and should be valuable as an export apple. 2/- each.

Loy—A variety from California, where it is held in the highest esteem; it is one of the largest and showiest of apples in cultivation, rivalling that well-known variety, "Gloria Mundi"; ripens in April, and keeps for a long time; the tree is a strong, thrifty grower, and keeps remarkably free from woolly aphis; the large fruits hang on well, and are difficult to shake off; the flesh is pale yellow, exceedingly rich, firm, and juicy, and of a most agreeable flavour; a valuable late keeping dessert and culinary apple of the highest excellence. 2/6 each.

Marjorie Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp; a very early blight-proof seedling, raised from "Irish Peach," large size, conical in shape; skin clear yellow, striped and mottled with lively red, brighter on the sunny side; flesh white, tender and crisp, with a rich, agreeable, juicy, and aromatic flavour; an early dessert apple of the finest quality; in season middle to end of December; tree is a strong, upright grower, very prolific, and blight-proof; we recommend this novelty with the greatest confidence. 2/6 each.

APPLES, NEW AND OF RECENT INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED).

Mona Hay—Raised by H. E. Sharp; a blight-proof seedling from "Irish Peach"; tree is very vigorous, and attains considerable size; pyramidal habit, and perfectly blight-proof; a regular and most profuse bearer, presenting a handsome sight when laden with its beautiful fruits; fruit is of above medium size, oblate flattened in shape; skin smooth, yellow, beautifully striped with crimson and covered with crimson where exposed to the sun; in season February and March; flesh white, tender, crisp, sugary, and juicy, with a delicious flavour; a dessert apple of the highest excellence and most handsome appearance, possesses every good quality, invaluable alike for home use and market. 2/6 each.

Niedwetziana—Originated from Central Asia, where it was found both wild and cultivated; the wood, leaves, blooms, and fruit are red. 3/6 each.

Prince Edward—Bright yellow, red next the sun; flavour brisk; flesh tender and melting; late; award of Merit, R.H.S., England. 2/- each.

St. Martin's—Large, conical, dessert; flavour very rich; colour dull red, covered with a grey bloom; award of Merit, R.H.S., England; late. 2/- each.

Thomas Rivers—(Syn. "Rivers Codlin"), certificated R.H.S., 4th October, 1892. This apple is a cooking variety of singularly rich flavour, large, and brilliant colour; flesh very firm in texture; ready for use in the middle of April, and lasts until July; the tree is very healthy, forming a handsome bush or pyramid, bears abundantly. 2/- each.

CRAB APPLES (*Pyrus baccata*).

PRICE—Trees 2/6 each.

The following sorts of Crabs are very bright and ornamental during the autumn, and are exceedingly pretty in shrubberies arranged with regard to the colours of the fruits, which hang for some time on the trees. Many of these sorts make a very good preserve:—

Coral, Chicago—Rich warm yellow ground, with a vermilion cheek.

Dartmouth—Deep purple crimson, large, with a fine bloom.

John Downie—Great bearer, fine colour.

Malus Aurea—Leaves yellow, clear green in the centre.

Malus Floribunda (LARGE FRUITED)—Differs from the pretty "Malus Floribunda" in the size and colour of the fruit. The tree in the autumn is as yellow as a laburnum. The flowers are as profuse as on the original tree, and are the same bright colour, and very fragrant.

CRAB APPLES (CONTINUED).

Marengo—Fruit large, bright warm red, on yellow ground.

Oblong—Light yellow, striped with crimson and carmine.

Purple—Deep purple, very sweet.

Transcendent—Golden yellow, with crimson cheek in the sun, covered with a delicate white bloom.

Yellow Siberian—Yellow, with a striped crimson cheek.

APRICOTS

ON SEEDLING APRICOT STOCKS.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Acme of Shense—Very large yellow with a red cheek, good quality; freestone. The tree is a free and vigorous grower.

Alexis—A Russian apricot; very hardy and prolific bearer; yellow, with red-streaked cheek; large to very large; slightly acid, rich and luscious; 1/6 each.

Allen's Early—An early apricot of good quality; medium.

Alsace—Large, pale orange, rich and good; medium.

Beauge—Medium size, good colour and very fine flavour, heavy bearer; medium.

Belle de Toulouse—Large, rich and good; late.

Blenheim (*Syn.* "Shipley").

Campbellfield Seedling—Fine golden yellow, an excellent variety for jam making, hardy and good bearer; medium.

Canino Grosse—Large, bright orange; a hardy apricot of good quality; medium.

Dundonald—Large, orange, very rich; late.

Early Golden—A somewhat small fruit, but very early, and on that account likely to bring better prices than later and finer apricots. It is a rich yellow, very productive and sweet.

Early Moorpark—Similar to "Moorpark," but earlier.

Gooley—A Californian seedling of large size and good flavour. It is considered a very valuable variety, being largely planted where known. Said to be the earliest of the large varieties.

Harris—Recommended by Mr. Luther Burbank; comes from New York, U.S.A. A leading grower writes: "We now have an apricot—the 'Harris'—which succeeds almost everywhere. The fruit of the 'Harris' is described as rich golden yellow, large size, very fine quality, early bearer, immensely prolific."

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Hative d'Auvergne—Highly flavoured, good grower ; early.

Hemskirke—Bright orange, tender, rich and juicy, and excellent bearer ; medium.

J. L. Budd—The best Russian apricot, strong grower and profuse bearer, fruit large size, colour white with red cheek, fine flavoured.

Kaisha—A richly-flavoured variety ; early.

Large Early—A fine early apricot of excellent flavour.

Large Red—Deep orange red, a hardy variety of the peach apricot ; medium.

Luizet—Very large fruit, rich and highly flavoured. It was raised by M. Luizet, of Lyons. For fine size, good quality, and vigor of growth, it is unsurpassed. It is also an abundant and regular bearer.

Mansfield Seedling—Very large, one of the finest grown ; late.

Montgamet—Fruit medium size, juicy, and agreeably acid ; good for preserving ; early.

Moorpark—A well-known apricot of great excellence ; medium.

Mrs. Hart—A variety from Queensland ; good cropper.

Noonday—This new variety was sent from Illinois, U.S.A., with the record, "most prolific, largest and best Russian apricot yet tested." 1/6 each.

Ouillin's Early Improved—A very fine early apricot, said to be an improvement on "Ouillin's Early Peach" apricot.

Ouillin's Early Peach—A large fruit of most delicious flavour, one of the best early apricots.

Peach—Large, oval, juicy, and sugary, somewhat musky flavour ; medium.

Pennant Hill Oval—Large, oval, sweet, and very prolific.

Precoce de Victoria.

Precoce de Wunnie—A seedling of "Ouillin's Early Peach," which it resembles, but ripens earlier.

Roman—Medium size, pale yellow, very hardy, suitable for cool districts ; medium.

Rouge (*syn.* "Angoumois")—Small, deep yellow red on the sunny side, good flavour ; early.

Royal—Large, one of the best for drying ; medium.

Royal George—Large, deep orange, one of the finest for preserving ; late.

Sardinian—A very early small apricot of good flavour, strong grower and a heavy bearer.

Shipley—Deep yellow, an early productive variety.

St. Ambrose—Large, rich, and good ; medium.

APRICOTS (CONTINUED).

Turkey—Medium size, highly coloured, rich and sugary; late.

Twyford Seedling—Good bearer; late.

Warwick—Large, resembling “Moorpark,” constant bearer, flesh orange, firm, particularly rich and sugary; early.

CHERRIES.

PRICE—12/- per Doz. - £3/15/- per 100.

Abesse—Of the “Red Duke” family, largely grown in Russia and East Europe. Has been tested with best results in United States. Fruit is large, dark red, delicious, almost equal to the “Heart” cherries.

Archduke—Fruit larger than “May Duke,” dark red when fully ripe, juicy, sweet and briskly flavoured.

Bedford Prolific—Large, handsome, black, a good market variety; medium.

Belle d’Orleans—Red, tender and juicy; early.

Belle Ellen (*syn.* “Wilk’s Seedling”)—Large, deep glossy black, first-class cherry; medium.

Biggareau, Christy’s—A large midseason cherry of colonial origin; medium.

„ **Cleveland**—Bright red and yellow, richly flavoured; medium.

„ **Common**—Large, fine and good bearer, pale red; medium.

„ **d’Hollande**—Bright red, firm flesh and prolific; late.

„ **Elizabeth**—A large red cherry; late.

„ **Gross Cœur**—Large, dark red, flesh firm; medium.

„ **Late Mottled**—A first-class late cherry.

„ **Monstreux de Mezel**—A very large handsome cherry of excellent quality; medium.

„ **Napoleon**—Large, bright red, firm; late.

„ **Red**—A fine large red cherry; medium.

„ **Riverchon**—Large, dark red, almost black; late.

„ **Rockport**—A delicious soft-fleshed cherry; early.

„ **Twyford**—Pale yellow and red, of first-class quality; early.

„ **Turkey**—Large, red and yellow, heavy bearer; medium.

Black Bohemian—A large fine black cherry, and first-class for market; medium:

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Black Eagle—Medium size, a very heavy and regular bearer ; medium.

„ **Republican**—A black variety of medium size, a most prolific bearer ; medium.

„ **Tartarian**—Large, black, strong grower, and very prolific, good market variety ; medium.

Burgsdorf's Seedling—A first-class cherry of colonial origin, raised by Mr. Burgsdorf, of Harcourt.

California Advance—A seedling of "Early Purple Guigne;" fruit large, purple ; tree a great bearer ; the best early cherry.

Chapman—Introduced from California, a seedling of "Black Tartarian," larger and finer, a better bearer, and—what constitutes its great value—much earlier, ripens immediately after "Purple Guigne."

Doncaster Prolific—A local seedling, said to be an improvement on "Bedford Prolific," being much firmer, and a better market variety ; medium.

Eagle's Seedling—A fine black cherry, ripening about the same time as the "Common Bigarreau," when black cherries are scarce ; medium.

Early Lyons—Black, firm flesh, and large ; early.

„ **Purple Guigne**—A delicious black cherry, large and early.

„ **Rivers**—A splendid black cherry ; early.

Florence—Large, very firm, a heavy bearer, late, and first-class market cherry.

Heart of Midlothian—Large, nearly black, flesh tender and rich ; early.

Kentish—Good for cooking and preserving ; medium.

Knight's Early Black—Large and heavy bearer ; early.

Lewelling—An American seedling from "Black Tartarian," of great merit ; fruit deep rich cherry colour, and fine flavour ; late.

May Duke—Large, brownish-black ; early.

Montmorency—An early cherry of the "Morello" class, said to be a week earlier than the "Kentish" cherry.

Morello—A cooking cherry ; late.

Olivet—Large, globular, shining, deep red ; tender, rich and vinous, the best of the "Duke" tribe.

Oregon—A new seedling cherry from Oregon, very large ; colour reddish purple, flesh firm and sweet ; very late ; a great acquisition.

Oxheart—A large handsome cherry, dark red, flesh firm, with a brisk and pleasant flavour ; medium.

Ramon Oliva—A beautiful variety, dark red, glossy, flesh firm, sweet and fine ; very early and prolific.

CHERRIES (CONTINUED).

Reine Hortense—Large, bright red, changing to dark red, skin very thin and translucent, tender and juicy; late.

Royal Duke (Donna Maria)—Large and handsome, deep shining red, tender, juicy, and very rich; medium.

St. Marguerite—Very large, black, firm, one of the best market varieties; late.

Suda Hardy—A most valuable late cherry, an improved "Morello," of which it is evidently a seedling, and it surpasses that good old variety. The tree is hardier, with better foliage, and a most thrifty grower, exceedingly prolific.

Toronto—Small black cherry, very prolific.

Werder's Early Black—A fine black cherry, heavy bearer, and fine flavour; early.

Windsor—Very large, dark red, nearly black, very firm; late.

CHERRIES—New and Recently Introduced.

Belle de Montreuil—Fruit very large, round, marbled with red; flesh firm deep red, sugary, perfumed; early. 2/- each.

Bigarreau Gaucher—A new early cherry, imported from France. Fruit is very large; skin is brown-red; flesh reddish, firm, juicy, and very good. Tree is a vigorous and hardy grower. 2/- each.

Bigarreau Jaboulay—Large, dark red, remarkably rich and delicious; the earliest "Bigarreau" known; ripens twelve to fourteen days before "May Duke." 2/6 each.

Bigarreau Pelissier—A beautiful large cherry, imported from France, measuring one inch in diameter; skin dark glossy red, flesh firm, juicy, crisp and sugary; a first-class early variety. 2/- each.

Noble—A very large dark red cherry, imported from Thos. Rivers & Sons, England; flesh firm and rich; very late. This cherry has received a First-class Certificate from the Royal Horticultural Society, England. 3/6 each.

NECTARINES.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Albert Victor—A very large, handsome fruit, very juicy, with a brisk and sprightly flavour; medium.

Ansenne—The parent of "Goldmine." The fruit is of the largest size, and very highly coloured; flesh tender, melting, and of most delicious flavour; tree extremely hardy, and a regular cropper.

NECTARINES (CONTINUED).

Byron (Rivers)—A late orange nectarine, flavour rich and excellent, extra large and handsome, heavy cropper. A great acquisition to this desirable class.

Cardinal (Rivers)—This valuable Nectarine ripens ten days ahead of "Early Rivers," is of medium size, very brilliant colour, and exquisite distinct flavour; forms a compact, sturdy tree, and bears freely; most valuable on account of its extreme earliness.

Early Rivers—Fruit of largest size, skin rich crimson on side next sun, light yellow, marked with red on shaded side; flesh is tender, juicy, and very rich, with a decided "Stanwick" flavour; very early.

Elruge—Medium size, melting, juicy, and richly flavoured; early.

Fairchild's White—Fruit rather small, a great bearer; early.

Goldmine—This Nectarine originated in the garden of Mr. Lundon, of Parnell, N.Z. The fruit is of an enormous size. It is a perfect freestone, the pit or stone being extremely small for so large a fruit. The flesh is a beautiful cream colour, tender, juicy, melting, and sugary, and of most delicious flavour; colour, bright bronzy red; season of ripening, last week of February.

Goldoni—A fine dark-coloured variety of excellent flavour.

Humboldt—Fruit large, bright orange, dark crimson on the sunny side flesh very tender, juicy, and well flavoured; medium.

Hunt's Tawny—Pale orange and deep red, rich and juicy; early.

Irrewarra—Medium or above medium, highly coloured, of good flavour; a freestone and very early.

Lees' Seedling—This magnificent Nectarine was raised by Mr. Lees, of Beenak, from a peach stone twenty years ago, and is still bearing beautiful fruit; the sample brought to me measured nine inches in circumference. It is of beautiful colour and flavour, all that could be desired. Doing so well at Beenak, being a cool district, it should be very hardy. I have no hesitation in saying that this is the best Nectarine I have seen, and should become a great favourite with planters.

Lord Napier—Fruit of large size, flesh white, tender, juicy, and with a rich "Stanwick" flavour; early.

Mrs. Dr. Chisholm—A very early variety; ripe in the beginning of December.

New Boy—Fruit of largest size and extremely handsome, covered all over with brilliant crimson; flesh white, juicy, sugary, and of exquisite flavour; tree very hardy and a profuse cropper; one of the best.

Olmstead—A new Nectarine imported from California. It promises to be a sterling variety, season late; size large, red-cheeked on side next to sun, and very showy; flavour is very rich and sweet, equal to the very best, and is a perfect freestone; tree hardy and a good grower.

NECTARINES (CONTINUED).

Pitmaston Orange—Large, roundish, rich orange red next the sun; juicy, rich, and excellent; early.

Precoce de Croncels—A new Nectarine imported from France; described by the raiser as “the earliest Nectarine,” ripening before all others; fruit large, skin yellowish, with a dark plum colour; freestone, first quality; highly recommended.

Red Roman—Large, yellow and red, rich, juicy, and highly vinous; medium.

Shorland Tawny—A fine variety and good flavour; medium.

Stanwick—Large, quality first-class; late.

Victoria Rivers—Very large, of good quality, and a heavy bearer.

White Slipstone—Large, with a slight tinge of red next the sun, very juicy and fine flavour; early.

PEACHES.

All my Peaches are worked on Seedling Peach Stocks.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Alexander's Early—Very fine quality, and highly coloured.

Alexandra Noblesse—Richly flavoured, tender and juicy; early.

American Pound—Large, round fruit; medium.

Amsden's June—Highly coloured, good flavour; very early.

Arkansas Traveller—A first-class early peach, similar to “Briggs' Red May.”

Beauty of Taupaki—Seedling from “Wheatland”; reliable heavy bearer, and a hardy grower; fruit large, very showy; flesh yellow, with red at the stone; flavour rich, luscious and juicy; perfect freestone.

Belle of Georgia—A grand market peach, second only to “Elberta”; these two stand first in the New York market for quality and price. “Belle of Georgia” is being largely planted; colour bright red and white.

Bilyen's Late October—Fruit large, with a bright red cheek; flesh white, sweet and excellent; late.

Bonanza—A magnificent large freestone peach; very late; has a rich red cheek, white flesh, fine quality, productive, and a vigorous grower; a valuable acquisition as a late peach.

Beer's Smock—Large yellow, mottled with red; very productive, useful for canning and drying; late.

Bower's Early—A very attractive and useful variety, one of the best of the second early kind.

Brandywine—A large yellow peach, similar to “Late Crawford,” but ripening much later.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Brigg's Red May—Very early, highly-coloured, rich and juicy.

Burton's Newington—Fine flavour; medium.

Camden Excellent—One of the finest late peaches.

Chair's Choice—A late yellow-fleshed peach of largest size; deep yellow, with red cheek; flesh firm, and quality unsurpassed either as a dessert fruit or canned; ripens with "Salwey."

Champion—A new hardy early variety of largest size, highest flavour and best shipper of early peaches, perfect freestone; colour beautiful creamy white, with a bright red cheek; very handsome in appearance, and should become a first-class market variety.

Chatsworth Yellow—Good canning variety; late.

Christiania—A beautiful and most delicious peach, of superior size and quality; late.

Comet—Very large, yellow flesh, a fine canning peach; late.

Conkling—A splendid yellow-fleshed peach, very hardy and prolific; good for canning; medium.

Copas Late Red—An extra large freestone peach, colour red, ripens in March. It is without doubt the best freestone peach of its season, quality good, and should become a great favourite.

Copas Nectarine Peach—Another peach raised by Mr. H. W. Copas, Wirrabara, S.A.; skin yellow, almost covered with rich, dark red; ripening after "Royal George Cling;" very hardy, and a good market variety.

Crimson Beauty—A valuable clingstone peach, with white flesh; skin creamy yellow, with one-half the surface covered with bright crimson; said to be very hardy and productive; ripens end of February.

Crosby—A very hardy peach, fine colour, flesh yellow, flavour superb; it will sell alongside any other sort of its season, and has been kept for two weeks after travelling a long distance by rail.

Delicious—An exceedingly handsome peach; skin yellow, with minute carmine dots, red all over towards the sun; flesh yellow, stone small, flavour can only be described as "delicious;" ripens a week before "Crosby," and is the finest dessert peach of its season; a sure cropper, and invaluable for small gardens.

Domergue—A variety imported from France, said to be the earliest peach known; a good bearer, exquisite flavour, freestone.

Downing—Dark red, very richly flavoured; early.

Duke of Edinburgh—Nice coloured and very productive; late.

Dymond—Imported from England, where it is described as handsome, and richly flavoured, hardy, and prolific.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Early Crawford—A splendid yellow and crimson coloured peach, good for canning or dessert; medium.

Early Silver—Creamy white, delicately coloured on the exposed side; large and constant bearer; tree very dwarf.

Elberta—A splendid midseason peach, and spoken of in the highest terms by *The American Garden*; it is a large, handsome peach, well coloured by the sun, yields heavy crops, and carries well.

Ford's Late—This is said to be the latest of all the white freestone peaches, and a most valuable market variety.

Foster—This is considered one of the best peaches of American origin, and before all others for drying and canning; large, deep orange red, with rich colour on the exposed side; flesh yellow, rich, and juicy; freestone; a few days earlier than "Early Crawford."

Globe—This is one of the largest, most delicious peaches of the age; it is a golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek; is a freestone of the largest size, with firm yellow flesh, pleasant, rich, and juicy, globular in form, with good keeping qualities, and an enormous bearer.

Gold Dust—A new yellow clingstone peach. This grand peach comes from the United States, where it has the reputation of being one of the finest standard varieties. A prominent Californian writes—"Best Clingstone ever seen; originated with and introduced by Stark Bros., and is designed to take the place of all other yellow clings now grown; large, round, deep yellow with a red cheek; flesh very rich, yellow and juicy, of unusually fine quality."

Hale's Early—A really first-class peach in every way, and always brings the top price in the market.

High's Early Canada—A very early peach of greatest excellence, ripening same time as "Brigg's Red May," but a better bearer.

Improved Flat China—An improvement on "Flat China"; very early.

Jenkins' Red—A very highly-coloured peach of good flavour; medium.

Jones' Early—Very fine colour, rich flavour.

Kalamazoo—The most profitable peach of its season; tree extremely hardy and a certain bearer; fruit, large round, handsome appearance; flesh bright yellow, and deliciously flavoured. An invaluable variety for all purposes. Comes in at a good season, ripening after "Sea Eagle."

Kerr's Seedling—A splendid large hardy variety; late.

Kia Ora—A seedling from "Elberta," identical in size and general appearance of the fruits with that most esteemed of all yellow-fleshed peaches, but of superior flavour; a much better cropper and hardier tree.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Lady in Gold—This is a handsome, large, and attractive variety, and is desirable not only for market, but for the home garden, being one of the best in quality of any of the yellow-fleshed peaches; it is highly coloured and a freestone, ripening immediately after "Hale's Early."

Lady Palmerston—Similar to "Comet"; late.

La France—Imported from France, said to be one of the best varieties raised by M. Alexis Lepere. Beautiful fruit, very large, somewhat higher than wide, one side thicker than the other; skin dark carmine red; flesh white, fine, melting, juicy, of an exquisite perfume; tree vigorous and prolific; early.

Large Early York—A fine early peach, good flavour.

Late Crawford—A superior yellow peach, very large, productive, good for canning or market; late.

Lemon Cling—A large lemon-coloured clingstone peach, good for canning; late.

Lord Palmerston—A very large late peach.

Louis Grognet—Imported from France. A seedling of Alexis Lepere, vigorous and prolific; fruit large, beautiful; flesh white, fine, sugary; freestone; ripens after "Hales' Early" and before "Grosse Mignonne Precoc."

Lovett's White—Mr. J. T. Lovett says: "This peach has every quality demanded in the ideal white peach; a perfect freestone," colour pure white, very large, hardy and prolific; late.

Mamie Ross—Very large and handsome; flesh white and juicy, melting, ripens by middle of January; is a half-cling, sure bearer, and extremely hardy; a valuable market variety.

Mary's Choice—A large and beautiful yellow peach of the highest quality, ripening a little after "Early Crawford"; medium.

Merchant Campbell—Large and good; medium.

Merrie Merrie—Large, good colour and rich; medium.

Milner's Earliest-of-All—A Sydney variety, said to be very early, of good colour and flavour, comes in with "Brigg's Red May," carries well; clingstone.

Morris' White—Large oval, skin creamy white, melting, juicy, rich and sweet; medium.

Mountain Rose—A medium-size hardy peach of good quality; medium.

Muir—A large freestone peach, one of the best for canning and drying. It is a good bearer and strong grower, a most useful variety; late.

Old Mixon (Freestone)—Large, good flavour and handsome; late.

Orange Cling—A very large yellow peach, a good canning variety. It is a strong grower and heavy bearer.

Oriole—Said to be of Chinese origin, very large, of the best quality, rich yellow colour, of the highest flavour, and among the earliest; freestone.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Osprey—A large and handsome peach, greenish-white, nearly covered and mottled with red; flesh rich, melting and delicious; ripens just after "Sea Eagle," on which it is a great improvement, being superior in quality and flavour; late.

Poole Favourite—Imported from United States; resembles "Late Crawford," but larger, richer colour, better bearer, and ten days later; very large size and valuable for market.

Powell's Beauty—A beautiful large yellow freestone peach, with deep red cheek. Mr. Powell, in whose garden it originated, has picked from the tree peaches which weighed 12 ounces. It is of delightful flavour, and keeps well.

Pratt—Fruit large and handsome, nearly covered with rich red; flesh yellow, of the highest quality; medium.

Prize—A large yellow freestone of good quality, a profitable late variety, and very popular where known.

Red-leaved Peach—This peach is remarkable for the colour of its foliage, in the spring being of a bright purple, as the season advances they change to a deep bronze; the blossom is handsome, and the fruit, which is produced abundantly, is of fine flavour, clingstone and striped, making it of unique appearance; valuable for both shrubbery and orchard.

Reed's Early Golden—An improvement on "Crawford's Early," with which it ripens. It is larger and handsomer, and a very reliable and heavy bearer.

Reeve's Favourite—Large, yellow with red cheek, flesh yellow, red at the stone, ripens a few days after "Crawford's Early," flavour excellent; medium.

Richardson's Choice—It is very similar to "Powell's Beauty," and ripens at the same time. A first-class peach.

Roser—One of the hardiest and best late peaches ever introduced, a perfect freestone of the best quality, rich, meaty, and juicy, with a mild sub-acid flavour, and when cooked or canned has no superior. The fruit is large and somewhat oblong, with a beautiful flush on one side.

Royal George—A well-known variety, one of the best; medium.

„ „ (**Clingstone**)—Large, rich, and handsome, medium.

„ „ (**English**)—Large, good colour and highly flavoured; medium.

Ruding's Late—White with bright red cheek, juicy, and highly flavoured, very productive and popular, one of the best, a regular and heavy bearer.

Salwey—Flesh deep yellow, similar to an apricot; late.

Saunders—Richly flavoured and highly coloured; early.

Sea Eagle—Very large, good colour and flavour; late.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Sellor's Clingstone—A good canning peach ; late.

Shanghai—Large, greenish-yellow, red at the stone ; a favourite peach in New South Wales.

Shipley's Red—This is one of the most beautiful of peaches, and very popular where known. The fruit is of large size and fine appearance, flesh white, with beautiful flush, tree vigorous and very productive.

Silver Medal—A large white freestone peach, popular where known, hardy and a great bearer.

Sneed—The earliest peach known ; is said to ripen two weeks before "Brigg's Red May." It is a seedling from "Chinese Cling ;" fruit medium size, somewhat oval in shape ; colour creamy white, with rich red blush on sunny side, ripens evenly to the pit, and is of fine quality ; very early.

Susquehana—Fruit very large, colour rich yellow with red cheek, an excellent variety ; medium.

Triumph—The earliest yellow peach known ; ripens just after "Sneed" and with "Alexander." This variety is much esteemed in United States, where it is well known. "Triumph" makes very strong growth, blooms late, has large flowers, and is a sure and abundant bearer. Fruit of large size, with small pit ; skin yellow, nearly covered with red, showing dark crimson on the sunny side ; flesh bright yellow, and is better in quality than most yellow peaches ; very early.

Troth's Early Red—A medium-sized peach, red and white, flesh rich and excellent. It ripens shortly after "Early Rivers," and carries well.

Thurber—Fruit large, skin creamy-white, shaded and mottled with pale red and carmine where fully exposed ; flesh white, a little red at the stone, fine grained, very juicy, rich and delicious ; late.

Ulati—A seedling of "Alexander," ripening just after the very early varieties, thus filling the gap before "Hale's Early" comes in ; colour bright red, flesh white, perfect freestone.

Wager—A large yellow peach, shaded with red ; flesh yellow. It has been pronounced by experts to be the most delicious sort when canned ; juicy, and of fine flavour ; medium.

Waterloo—A medium-size peach, dark red, melting, and richly flavoured ; early.

Wheatland—A large yellow freestone. It ripens a little later than "Late Crawford," and is one of the hardiest of peaches, firm, juicy, and of good quality.

PEACHES (CONTINUED).

Wiggins—An early freestone of large size, and most highly coloured; ripens just after "Briggs' Red May" and before "Hale." Tree very hardy and prolific bearer; flesh very rich and juicy. Most valuable as a market peach.

Wilder—Rich red colour, fine flavour; early.

Wilkin's Cling—A seedling of "Heath Cling," and ripening at same time, largest size; flesh white, sugary, rich, and delicious.

Wonderful—This peach has been awarded first premium and special prize of silver medal in America. Mr. Lovett, the introducer, says: "It is of largest size, excellent quality, a regular and most prolific bearer, and in beauty excelled by no other peach."

Yellow Mystery—A large round yellow peach with crimson cheek. It is a handsome variety, with firm luscious yellow flesh; tree vigorous and productive; medium.

NEW PEACHES.

PRICE—2/- each; 18/- per dozen.

Bell's October—Large, rich yellow, with red cheek; freestone, of highest quality; very late.

Black's Late—A valuable late variety from Keri Keri; large, and of most handsome appearance; flesh firm, juicy, and of delicious peach flavour; tree exceedingly prolific.

Carman—A new hardy peach, ripening same time as "Early Rivers;" large, roundish, with pale yellow skin, red blush on sunny side; white flesh, tender and melting; rich, sweet, and of superior flavour; the finest second early peach.

Emperor.

Hawkesbury Champion—This is the latest freestone peach of first-class quality, ripening from the middle of March to second week in April, and will keep twenty days after being picked if not bruised. The tree is a vigorous grower, and good, heavy cropper. The fruit is of a large and even size, and almost round. The ground colour is a greenish yellow, and almost covered with a rich rosy bloom, giving the fruit a beautiful appearance. Ripening at a time when the market is practically bare of first-class peaches, growers will be able to command their own price.

Husted's Early—Similar to "Hale's Early" in appearance; smooth skin, well coloured; flesh creamy; freestone; ripens end of January.

Marshall's Late—Very large, deep yellow; immensely productive; ripens about 20th March; a valuable late market variety.

NEW PEACHES (CONTINUED).

McDevitt's Late Cling—Since introducing this peach some three years ago we have had it fruiting in poor land, and can conscientiously say that we consider it "the finest peach of its class yet introduced." Its size is enormous, good even shape, and in colour is beyond anything we have seen, being a deep rich yellow almost entirely covered with dark purple, almost black. This is the standard variety used in the large canning factories in America, and we feel sure will find favour with the fruitgrowers of this state. It is in perfection after "Lord Palmerston" and "Princess Royal" are over—*i.e.*, about third week in February, when, as the orchardist knows, good peaches are not to be had. Our advice is, "Plant 'McDevitt's,' and plant it largely."

Princess May—A colonial seedling raised by Mr. F. W. Nink, of St. Andrew's, Queenstown. He describes it as being very large, highly coloured, and of a good keeping quality, ripening in March. Clingstone.

Reine des Vergers—Fruit large, roundish; skin whitish, mostly covered with dull deep purplish red in the sun; flesh whitish, red at stone, juicy, melting, vinous; late.

Shepherd's Late—A large and handsome clingstone; flesh solid, white, red near the stone, rich flavour; season middle to end of March; good colour; tree hardy, good grower, a regular and abundant bearer.

Tauranga—A late yellow-fleshed peach from Tauranga; enormous size, fine appearance, good for all purposes.

PEARS

ALL ON SEEDLING STOCKS.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Bailey's Bergamot—A splendid pear, rich and melting; tree strong grower and very productive.

Bartlett—See "Williams' Bon Chretien."

Bergamotte Prince Rudolph d'Autriche—Medium to large size; skin smooth; colour pale green, turning to golden lemon when ripe; flesh very melting.

Beurre Bosc—A large dessert pear of a first-rate quality; medium.

„ **Clairgeau**—A large pear of first quality; late.

„ **d'Anjou**—Large, melting, and juicy; medium.

„ **de Capiaumont**—A first-class market pear, very prolific and hardy; medium.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Beurre de Mortillet—A large and handsome fruit of obovate shape, 5 to 6 inches long. The flesh is white and pleasantly flavoured.

„ **Easter**—A good winter dessert pear; late.

„ **Superfine**—Large, hardy, and a delicious melting pear; one of the best for dessert; tree hardy and prolific bearer.

Bezi Mai—Large size and delicious flavour, a heavy and regular bearer, commencing to bear the third and fourth year, increasing rapidly in quantity of crop; strongly recommended for home and market use; late.

Black Achan—Large, one of the best cooking varieties; late.

Broompark—Medium size, an excellent dessert pear; late.

Clapp's Favourite—An American pear of highest excellence, ripens just before "Williams' Bon Chretien"; early.

Comte de Chambord—An excellent pear, large and good bearer; late.

Comte de Flandre—Large and excellent; late.  2870

Conference ("Rivers")—Fruit large pyriform; skin dark green and russet; flesh salmon-coloured, melting, juicy and rich; tree robust and hardy, making a strong healthy growth. Very prolific, and a valuable market sort.

Daimyo—A strong growing variety, very large and distinct foliage; fruit medium size, golden yellow.

Dempsey—A cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Duchesse d'Angouleme"; fruit large, skin yellow, tinted with brown on the sunny side; flesh white, fine grained, tender, buttery, with a rich, sweet and delicious flavour; medium.

Doyenne Boussoch—Melting and juicy, first-class; medium.

„ **du Comice**—Large, rich, and melting; medium.

„ **d'Ete**—Small, juicy, and richly flavoured; early.

Dr. Nelis—A small pear of first-class quality; medium.

Elizabeth Cole—Flesh very tender, buttery, melting, rich, and of honied sweetness; late.

Elizabeth Sophia—Medium size, short pyramidal, yellow and rich; medium.

Eyewood—A medium-sized pear; good bearer, and suited for export; medium.

Fertility (Rivers)—Ripens same time as "Louise Bonne of Jersey"; large fruit of brilliant colour and high flavour. This tree is a vigorous and healthy grower, and most valuable for market. It has never failed to produce a crop, and cannot be recommended too highly.

Flemish Beauty—A splendid dessert pear; medium.

Forelle—Medium size, lemon yellow and red on sunny side, melting, rich, sugary, and vinous flavour; late.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Gansell's Bergamot—One of the finest dessert pears ; medium.

Gibling's Seedling—A favourite pear in Tasmania.

Howell—Fruit large, light waxen yellow, heavy bearer, following "Williams' Bon Chretien," a first-class market pear, and should be largely grown.

Huyshe's Prince Consort—A large pear of superior excellence, with a distinct flavour unlike any other pear ; late.

Idaho—Large globular yellow, fine grained, buttery and melting ; late.

Japanese Golden Russet—A cooking pear, remarkable for early bearing ; late.

Jargonelle—A well-known early pear.

Josephine de Malines—A most delicious pear, also one of the longest keeping sorts ; late.

Keiffer's Hybrid—A very hardy and prolific variety, with a distinct pineapple flavour ; late.

Koonce—Tree is a vigorous grower and heavy bearer. The very best early pear, and of great market value. Fruit golden yellow, with beautiful red cheek ; does not rot at the core.

Krull—A late keeping variety, skin thick and strong, flesh firm until fully ripe, when it becomes melting, rich and sweet.

Lawson—A dessert pear ; crimson on bright yellow ground ; juicy, pleasant, a good keeper and shipper ; the largest early pear.

Le Conte—A variety of the "Sand," after the style of "Keiffer's Hybrid."

Le Lectier—A grand new pear which originated at Orleans (France), the result of a cross between "Williams' Bon Chretien" and "Bergamotte Fortune." Tall, erect, well-shaped and vigorous, and regular bearer. Flesh fine, melting, very juicy, highly perfumed, without granulations. This variety is one of the very best of its season. Ripe end of April.

Louise Bonne of Jersey—Melting, very juicy, and delicious ; medium.

Madam Cole—A splendid late dessert variety.

Marie Louise—One of the best dessert ; medium.

Monchallard—Large, bright yellow, shaded with red on the side next the sun ; tender, melting, and very juicy ; a first-class pear ; early.

Mount Vernon—Large, nearly globular ; colour rich cinnamon russet ; flesh juicy, melting, with a spicy vinous flavour which is peculiar and distinct from that of any other known sort ; tree is a vigorous grower, and comes into bearing early ; late.

Pitmaston Duchess—A very handsome pear, of finest quality ; medium.

Seckle—A small pear, sweet and rich ; medium.

Senator Belle—A seedling of "Easter Beurre." Very large and nice fruit ; skin smooth, golden yellow ; flesh fine, yellow, juicy and highly perfumed ; much recommended ; late.

PEARS (CONTINUED).

Souvenir de Jules Guindon—A seedling of "Easter Beurre," very large fruit; skin smooth, clear green, turning yellow a long time before ripening; flesh fine, rich, juicy, and highly perfumed; late.

Tasman Bergamot—A well-known pear in Tasmania.

Triomphe de Jodoigne—Fruit large, regular, and handsome; late.

Uvedale's St. Germain—Very large, a fine stewing pear; late.

Vermont Beauty—A beautiful new seedling pear; medium sized, roundish; skin yellow, nearly covered with carmine; flesh melting, sprightly and good; tree hardy, healthy, and very productive; a very handsome pear of greatest excellence.

Vicar of Winkfield—Large, melting, and very juicy; a very heavy bearer and a good market pear; late.

Wilder—One of the earliest; good keeper and shipper; tree very vigorous; fruit medium, bell-shaped, pale yellow, with deep shading of brownish carmine; flesh whitish yellow, fine grained, tender; flavour sub-acid, sprightly, of good quality; very productive, probably the best early market pear.

Williams' Bon Chretien—Large, buttery, and melting; one of the finest summer pears grown; early.

Winter Cole—Melting, juicy, rich, and of exquisite flavour; a first-class pear; late.

Winter Nelis—One of the finest-flavoured late dessert pears.

NEW PEARS.

PRICE—2/6 each.

Beurre Du Buisson—This is one of the best flavoured pears in cultivation, coming in after "Marie Louise" is over, and the fruit grows to a great size under favourable circumstances, measuring to 4 inches in length and $2\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter. The shape is obtuse pyriform; colour of skin pale greenish yellow on the shaded side, sometimes marked with red where exposed to the sun, the whole surface covered with russet spots and veinings.

Brockworth Park (Bonne d'Ezée?)—Large and very good. This pear is so much like the Bonne d'Ezée that it is hardly worth keeping distinct.

Duchesse d' Afrique—An enormously large pear of good keeping quality. Tree so far appears to be dwarf, growing with very short thick wood.

Fondante d' Automne—Large; a delicious melting pear; forms a compact ornamental pyramid on the quince; equally good on the pear stock as an orchard standard; medium.

NEW PEARS (CONTINUED).

- Laffer's Bergamotte**—A new pear raised by Mr. George R. Laffer, of Belair, South Australia. Said to be cross between "Winter Nelis" and "Williams' Bon Chretien." It is a first-class Bergamotte, medium to large size, good flavour, rich, melting, juicy; ripe in March.
- Magnate**—Fruit very large, pyriform; skin yellow and dark crimson, and brown streaked where exposed to the sun; very handsome; flesh yellow, melting and juicy; medium.
- Marquis**—Flesh firm, melting, and very rich. The fruit has kept unchanged in quality for nearly three months; medium size; late.
- Parrot**—A Bergamotte of brilliant colour; flesh melting and very good; hardy; an abundant bearer; good either for the garden or market; medium.
- Red October**—A very superior variety of "Beurre de Capiaumont"; bright brown, tinged with orange red; flesh delicate, smooth, and rich; an abundant bearer.

PLUMS.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

- Angelina Burdett**—Juicy, rich, and highly flavoured, purple; early.
- Autumn Compote**—A fine preserving plum; medium.
- Brahy's Greengage**—This is a very fine large greengage plum; late.
- Bryanston Gage**—Pale yellow, juicy and sweet; medium.
- Clyman**—Dark purple, firm, and of delicious flavour. The principal merit of this variety lies in its earliness, which makes it profitable for market purposes long before other plums of this class.
- Coe's Golden Drop**—A splendid variety, large yellow; medium.
- „ **Late Red**—Valued on account of its lateness; very late.
- Damson, American**—Small purple, juicy, sweet; early.
- „ **Cole's Superior**—One of the best; late.
- „ **Crittenden's**—Large, free bearer; late.
- „ **French**—A small black plum, useful for preserving; late.
- „ **Shropshire**—The best for jam; medium.
- Decaisne**—Large oval yellow; a rich dessert plum.
- De Montford**—A beautiful flavoured plum of the finest quality; early.
- Diamond**—Very large dark purple, splendid for preserving, and a heavy bearer; medium.
- Early Orleans**—A fine early cooking plum.
- Evans' Early**—Medium black, covered with bright blue bloom; the earliest plum grown.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Goliath—A showy and good preserving plum; medium.

Grand Duke—Very large purple, richly flavored, very productive; considered the best late plum grown.

Grantville Seedling.

Greengage—A well-known delicious plum; medium.

Hill End—A large purple plum, much recommended by our friend the late Mr. Neilson.

Ickworth's Imperatrice—Medium size, purple, firm, rich and juicy; a good drying variety.

Jefferson—Large golden yellow, juicy and highly flavoured, one of the best; medium.

Kirk's—Large black, a very fine variety; medium.

Large Black Imperial—Very large, an excellent cooking plum, dark purple; medium.

Late Black Orleans—Reddish purple, good quality, and a great bearer; late.

Lincoln—Very large; of reddish-purple colour, peculiarly attractive; quality best; tree very productive.

Lombard—Medium size, violet red, first class for preserves or dessert. This plum is said to take the lead for productiveness.

Magnum Bonum Yellow—One of the best culinary plums, and a heavy and regular bearer; large yellow; late.

Magnum Bonum Red—A large red culinary plum.

McLaughlin—A large delicious plum of the Greengage race, makes an excellent sweetmeat when dried.

October Greengage—A first-class plum, regular and heavy bearer; late.

Oullin's Golden Gage—Rich yellow, first-class dessert.

Peach—Bright red, a fine dessert variety; early.

Pissardii—Small fruit of little value; foliage crimson purple, giving it a striking appearance as an ornamental tree.

Pond's Seedling—Large red, a good bearer, a first-class market plum; late.

Prince Engelbert—A fine large purple plum, good as dessert or cooking; medium.

Princess Alexandra—A large red plum; medium.

Prune, Bulgarian—Medium size, dark purple, sweet, and valuable for drying.

„ **d'Agen**—This is said to be the finest of all the prunes, large violet purple; medium.

„ **d'Ente**—A Californian variety.

„ **German**—A most valuable drying plum; medium.

PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Prune, Giant—First-class in every way, as large as "Ponds" and very much superior in quality, two weeks earlier, and is of exquisite flavour. Flesh is honey-yellow, and of remarkable sweetness, and so firm that it can be shipped almost any distance in good condition.

„ **Golden**—Fruit very large, light golden colour, exquisite flavour, dries beautifully, when dried 24 are said to weigh 1 lb. A strong grower and abundant bearer; one of the finest canning fruits known.

„ **Italian** (Fellemborg)—One of the best drying plums; medium.

„ **Mirabelle von Flotows**—A very large oval plum, somewhat resembling "Coe's Golden Drop," to which it is equal in flavour, but is fit for use much earlier.

„ **Pacific**—Large size, dark purple, good bearer, tree very sturdy robust grower; a first-class prune.

„ **Silver**—This plum is said to be a seedling from "Coe's Golden Drop," but larger and more productive, and to be the best canning variety.

Prune, Splendour—Is another magnificent prune raised from a seed of the "Prune d'Agen," pollen of "Hungarian Prune." The trees are perfection in growth and productiveness, and though having somewhat the appearance of "Petite d'Agen," yet the branches are more sturdy, and with very little pruning naturally assume a uniform appearance much superior to either parent. As a combined drying, shipping, market, and table variety it has no rival. It is a perfect freestone, and ripens two weeks earlier than the "French Prune."

Prune, Tragedy—Very large, purple; this is one of the finest early plums ever introduced, being as large as a "Diamond Plum," and ripening just before "River's Early Prolific"; fruit sweet, and a first-class dessert variety. Should prove the best early market plum.

Red Cherry—A well-known early plum.

Reine Claude de Bavay—A most exquisite dessert plum of the Green-gage type; late.

Reine Victoria—Very juicy, rich and agreeable, purple; late.

Rivers' Early Prolific—A medium-sized plum, very prolific; early.

Sultan—A culinary plum of great excellence, dark purple; early.

The Czar—A large purple variety, very rich, an abundant bearer; a most valuable early market plum.

Washington—Large roundish yellow, one of the best; medium.

Wilson's Yellow—Medium size, yellow, good bearer, and carries well; a seedling raised by Mr. F. Wilson, Doncaster.

PLUMS—New and Recently Introduced.

2/- each; 18/- per Dozen.

Blue Rock—Raised by Mr. Rivers, England. Large and very rich, one of the very best early dessert plums.

Damson, King of the Damsons—Very prolific and large, one of the best; medium.

Damson, Rivers' Early—A seedling from "St. Etienne" plum, a charming addition to damsons. Award of merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Late Orange—Skin bright orange, covered with a heavy bloom, very rich and good.

Late Rivers—Below medium size, round, dark purple, almost black, juicy, rich and good; the latest good plum.

Late Transparent—Fruit large, round, greenish yellow, changing to purple according to exposure to sun; flesh firm, juicy, and like the preceding fully equal to the "Greengage"; stone very small. This is a very fine addition to the class of the "Transparent Gage," as it completes the season, ripening fully ten days after the "Transparent Gage." Tree of dwarf habit and an abundant bearer.

Mirabelle—Oval, yellow, small, abundant bearer, and highly esteemed for preserving; the tree forms a beautiful pyramid; early.

Prune, Sugar—This new prune is described as far superior to the French prune; tree in every respect better grower, and will carry and mature a larger crop of fruit. The fruit is even in size, and very large, averaging thirteen to fifteen to the pound. "Sugar" prune is extremely early, yellow flesh, tender, and rich in sugar juice. Analysis of the fresh fruit gives it as nearly one-fourth sugar; this variety is being planted in California by the thousand—a sufficient guarantee of its value.

JAPANESE PLUMS.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; 75/- per 100.

This is a unique class of plum, of great beauty and productiveness. The fruit is exquisitely perfumed, and with a charming attractive bloom. The trees are exceedingly ornamental, and quite distinct from other varieties. The flesh is so firm and meaty that they can be safely

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

shipped long distances, and kept in excellent condition. They are early, prolific bearers, and well worthy of trial by the fruit growers.

America (Hybrid Plum)—Growth resembles the American plums, and is less robust than the Japanese; exceedingly prolific; fruit is of large size; colour glossy coral red; flesh yellow, moderately firm, and delicious.

Botan or Abundance—Very large, showy, and beautiful; amber, turning to rich bright cherry colour, with a white bloom; flesh yellow, juicy, tender, and of delicious sweetness impossible to describe; very early.

Burbank—Large size, nearly globular in shape; colour clear cherry-red, with a thin lilac bloom; flesh deep yellow; very sweet, with a peculiar and agreeable flavour; strong grower, and a most wonderful bearer.

Chabot—This variety bears very young, is a strong grower and very prolific; fruit greenish purple, with orange-yellow flesh, and very solid; good for drying.

Chalco—The fruit, which ripens just before "Burbank," is large, flat like a tomato, deep reddish purple, with very sweet, somewhat firm, exceedingly fragrant yellow flesh, pit or stone small.

Early Yellow—Another of Mr. Luther Burbank's productions. Tree is an upright symmetrical grower, and extremely vigorous; fruit round, bright yellow, of most handsome appearance, even size, and splendid quality.

General Saigo—This variety somewhat resembles the apricot, being very distinct, fine and productive.

Gold—This plum is a cross between the best American native plum and the Japanese, and said to be the best of its kind. Mr. Burbank writes:—"The 'Gold' tree always carries as much as it can hold of its handsome, luscious, golden globes."

Golden Heart—Fruit large, of a beautiful golden yellow; flesh sweet, tree vigorous, one of the best.

Hale—Fruit large, bright orange mottled with cherry red, superb in quality.

Hattonkio No. 1—A beautiful large yellow plum, firm and juicy, with a rich sugary flavour; ripe early in February.

Hattonkio No. 2—Medium size, yellow, changing to red when fully ripe; an enormous bearer; early.

Hay's Seedling—A new plum; tree hardy, and a good grower; fruit round, skin dark purple; flesh yellow, firm, rich, juicy, and of exquisite flavour; ripens a week after "Burbank." It is enormously productive.

Juicy—A hybrid plum; the fruit is of medium size and perfect shape, skin thin and transparent, light yellow overlaid with scarlet. The tree is a hardy and luxuriant grower, with dwarfish habit.

JAPANESE PLUMS (CONTINUED).

Kelsey (True)—The fruit is very large, with a remarkably small stone. It is of excellent quality, melting, rich, and juicy, and excels all other plums for canning. As a dried fruit is equal to, if not surpassing, the best dried prunes, and being firm and meaty it possesses superior qualities for carrying long distances. Colour rich yellow, covered with bright red on the sunny side; late.

King Cole—Fruit of largest size, quite round; skin a fine clear carmine; flesh yellowish, with a fine vinous flavour; a very early variety, ripening ten days after "Abundance," and exceeding it in size.

Masu—Very prolific; fruit as large as "Botan," but later.

Mikado.

Nangate Red—A large rich, and delicious variety.

Nikko—Raised by Luther Burbank. Has not yet fruited, but shows well in vigour, foliage, and bud. Very highly spoken of by the raiser.

October Purple—Another of Mr. Burbank's seedlings. It is a very large, purple, heart-shaped plum, with no splashes of lighter colour; flesh amber yellow, red beneath the skin, very juicy, but yet firm, sweet, and of most delicious flavour; clingstone. Tree bears freely when quite young, ripe same season as "Kelsey," of similar shape, and quite equal in flavour—which is considered the best and most luscious of all the Japanese varieties.

Ogan—A delicious plum, said to be one of the best; a good grower, and very prolific.

Okti Smomo—Medium to large; red, with a fine bloom; flesh yellow, very juicy and rich, of good flavour, and a heavy cropper.

Red Heart—A large red fruit, very prolific; a very fine plum for preserving; late.

Red June—The fruit is of large size and beautiful fiery red colour; flesh firm, and fair quality. The tree is very handsome, hardy, and a rapid grower.

Satsuma or Blood Plum—Large and almost globular; the colour is dark red from skin to stone; flesh firm, juicy, and of a rich spicy flavour; a first-class variety.

Universal No. 2—A very early variety.

Wickson—Raised by Mr. Luther Burbank. The fruit is evenly distributed over the tree, and from the time it is half grown until a few days before ripening is of a pearly white colour, but all at once soft pink shadings creep over it, and in a few days it has changed to a glowing carmine, with a heavy white bloom; the stone is very small, and the flesh is of a fine texture, firm, sugary, and delicious; and will keep two weeks or more after ripening, or can be picked when hard and white, and will colour and ripen almost as well as if left on the tree; one of the best.

Yellow Gage—Very heavy bearer.

„ **Japan**—Large and excellent.

NEW JAPANESE PLUMS.

Akarana—A new early plum, raised by Mr. J. F. Smith; a chance seedling which resembles "Botan." The tree is a most vigorous grower, with magnificent broad, deep green, luxuriant foliage. The fruit ripens with the cherry plum, it is of largest size, very firm in flesh, and will prove of exceptional value for the early markets. 2/6 each.

Climax—Luther Burbank, the raiser of this remarkable new early plum, describes it as the most wonderful plum ever grown. The fruit is heart-shaped, as large as "Wickson" and more highly coloured, so fragrant that a whole house is perfumed with a single fruit; delicious as could be desired in flavour; and above all, ripens extremely early, before any other good plum, and nearly a month before "Wickson"; tree extremely vigorous. 2/- each.

Sultan—Another of Luther Burbank's productions, which he describes as of huge size, oval, deep purplish crimson; thought by those who have sampled the fruits to be one of the best plums produced. The flesh is remarkably firm, solid, sweet, and dark crimson in colour, beautifully clouded and shaded with light pink, salmon, and yellow, showing the parentage a cross between "Wickson" and "Satsuma"; remarkable for its small pit. 2/- each.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS.

PRICE—24/- per Doz.

These are all of my own growing, and being well-rooted should do much better than those imported from Japan.

The fruit of the Persimmon, when ripe, is of a deep reddish orange colour, in shape that of an orange, and some egg-shaped. The flavour, when perfectly ripe, is most luscious. It is best to be kept in a close jar after being picked, and is then most delicious. They ripen their fruit during winter, and in consequence furnish a valuable fruit for the table at a season when fruit is scarce.

Apple Shaped—Medium sized, ripens well on the tree.

Dai Dai Maru—Very large, square or four sided, deep orange, almost seedless; early.

Flat Ribbed—Often seedless, a heavy cropper and strong grower.

Gibio Shin—This is said to be one of the best introduced, and is much in the way of "Nightingale's Seedless," but ripens later. It is very large and conical, flesh slightly dark, seedless.

Hyakumo—Very large, oblong; early.

Haycheya (Red Seedless)—Very large, oblong, and a heavy cropper.

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS (CONTINUED).

Kurokumo—Medium sized, almost round, good flavour, can be eaten off the tree.

Myodina.

Nina.

Nitaro—Beautiful coloured, flat, square-shaped fruit, somewhat similar to "Dai Dai Maru."

Onshiu.

Sago Maru.

Seedless—Large fruited, very fine.

Sugar Loaf—This is a valuable persimmon on account of its ripening late. The fruit is rich dark red, long and conical, and hangs well.

Tanenachi (Yellow Seedless)—Fruit of the largest size, conical, bright yellow with yellow flesh; a first-class variety.

Tsuro Gaki—Good sized conical fruit, dark red, ripening late, delicious flavour.

Tsuro Magari—Tree vigorous and abundant bearer, peculiar shaped fruit, very rich flavoured, and may be eaten from the tree.

Williams' Seedless—Round flat, medium; a very heavy cropper when in bearing state, does not bear in a young state; wood upright; early.

Yeddo-Ischi—Fruit medium size, roundish, skin light yellow. A late variety, and perhaps the best if allowed to become soft.

Yemon—Large, round, rather flattened, seedless; one of the very best; can be eaten off the tree.

QUINCES.

PRICE—12/- per Doz.; £3/15/- per 100.

Angers—A dwarf-growing variety.

Apple—Medium size, very prolific.

Bourgeat—A new variety from U.S.A., described as one of the finest quinces ever offered; one of the best quality; tender; ripens just after the "Orange," and keeps till past mid-winter. The fruit is very large, rich golden colour, smooth velvety skin, and has so far proved to be free from leaf-blight.

Champion—Fruit very large, smooth, handsome, and regularly formed; tree very productive, bearing abundantly when quite young; early.

Fuller—Regular bearer, strong grower; the fruit ripens early, is of the largest size, pyriform in shape, a clear bright lemon-yellow colour, highly flavoured and tender.

Hertfordshire—Large and good.

Hong Kong—An extraordinary fruit of immense size, often weighing over 2 lbs.; foliage distinct, changing to red in the autumn, flowers red; of no commercial value as a fruit.

QUINCES (CONTINUED).

Master's Early—A very fine early variety.

Meeche's Prolific—Large, with smooth, fine skin of orange-yellow; flesh fragrant, delicious, tender, and unsurpassed for cooking; ripens just after "Champion."

Missouri Mammoth—The fruit grows to enormous size, with smooth skin and even outline, quite free from undulations about the eye; of a mild, pleasant flavour, and unsurpassed for cooking. The tree is a luxuriant grower, and bears enormously; a first-class variety.

Pear-shaped—Very large; medium season.

Portugal—A very large late quince.

Rea's Mammoth—Very large, early, and fine colour.

Van Deman—Seedling of "Portugal." The fruit is of most superb flavour, texture, and quality for all purposes that quinces are used; it is said to be the best of all, and a very heavy and early bearer. It received the Wilder Medal at a meeting of the American Pomological Society in October, 1891.

FIGS.

PRICE—1/6 each; 15/- per Doz.

Abois Jasple	Castle Kennedy	Poulette
Adam	Doree	St. Dominique
Black Ischia	La Royale	Violette
Black Provence	Large Black Genoa	White Genoa
Brown Ischia	Marseillaise	White Ischia
Brown Turkey	Pallane	White Provence
Brunswick		

ORANGES AND LEMONS.

PRICE—2/6 each; 24/- per Doz.

Blood or Maltese—Fruit medium size, flattened; skin deep red, filled with an abundance of deep red juice; a good grower, and ripens early.

Charley Baker—This orange received from Queensland, where it gained great reputation for quality of fruit and general productiveness.

Homossassa—Medium size, bright colour, skin smooth, sweet and juicy; keeps and carries well.

Jaffa—Fruit large, nearly seedless, oval, thick skin; tree thornless, with large green foliage; said to be a great bearer.

ORANGES AND LEMONS (CONTINUED).

Joppa—Probably one of the best of the recent introductions from California; tree of strong growth, and very productive; fruit of nice size, and of the very best quality.

Mandarin, Beauty of Glen Retreat—For extreme beauty, high flavour and productiveness it is not surpassed by any other variety, and cannot be too highly recommended.

Mandarin, Canton—Fruit medium sized, quite flat, skin pale yellow; abounding in juice of a rich, high flavour; a strong upright grower and very prolific.

Mandarin, Emperor—The largest of the "Mandarins"; skin almost red, and loosely attached; flesh very juicy, but not so highly flavoured as "Thorny Mandarin," the most profitable for market.

Mandarin, Thorny—Fruit medium size, quite flat; flesh very juicy; the best flavoured of all the "Mandarins," and an immense bearer.

Mediterranean Sweet—Remarkable for its early bearing and late ripening; splendid flavour; one of the most esteemed in California.

Oonshi—New seedless orange from Japan; a very hardy tree, said to stand frost well; pendulous habit; no seeds; flesh firm, thin skin; mid-way between an orange and a mandarin in size. This orange has fruited here, it is a heavy bearer, and is the only one that is really good in cool districts; highly recommended.

Parramatta—Fruit large size, round; skin deep yellow; flesh very juicy, and when trees attain age are of splendid quality; perhaps the best for market from its hardiness and productiveness.

Seville—Fruit large size, roundish, rather flattened, very solid; the best variety for marmalade.

Siletta—Fruit large size, flattened: skin pale yellow, very smooth and thin; abounding in juice; hardy and an enormous bearer.

St. Michael—Fruit of largest size; skin deep yellow, smooth and thin; very juicy, but few seeds; hardy and most profitable market variety.

The Queen—Large, round; skin thin and deeply coloured; splendid flavour and good cropper; a first-class variety.

Valencia Late—Large, oblong and firm. This orange is very late in ripening, and valuable on that account, as it would be marketable when other varieties are done.

Washington Navel—This is in all respects equal or superior to the "Bahia Navel," but, unlike that variety, it is a good cropper; in California considered to be the best of all oranges. I have seen quite small trees of this variety in Sydney loaded with most beautiful fruit.

Lemon, Eureka—Very like the "Lisbon," but trees almost thornless.

Lemon, Heong Leong—Fruit of large size but coarse, full of juice, but not equal to "Lisbon" in flavour.

ORANGES AND LEMONS (CONTINUED).

- Lemon, Lisbon**—A well-known variety, and probably the best of all.
- Lemon, Lisbon Thornless**—Fruit larger than "Lisbon" and a little coarser; tree, a spreading and vigorous grower.
- Lemon, Lisbon Variegata**—Leaves beautifully variegated; fruit small, similar to "Lisbon," but inferior.
- Lemon, Villa Franca**—Claimed to be chiefly a summer-bearing lemon, and on that account very valuable. It is a strong, vigorous grower, with few thorns; fruit oblong, thin skinned and firm, adjudged by the Americans to be the best shipping variety.
- Lime, East Indian**—Large and prolific.
- Lime, Persian or Sweet**—Hardy, and of pleasant flavour.
- Lime, Tahitian**—A strong grower and heavy cropper; fruit nearly the size of a "Lisbon Lemon"; exceedingly thin rind; juicy and nearly seedless; for hot districts considered superior to the lemon; cannot be too highly recommended.
- Lime, West Indian**—Small and excellent, best for lime-juice.
- Citron, Bengal**—Fruit very large, round, and useful for preserving.
- Citron, Knight's**—Fruit large, oblong, thick skinned, sweet, good for candied peel.
- Shaddock, Common**—Very large fruit.

MEDLARS.

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| Common —Each, 1/6. | Monstrous —Each, 2/. |
| Dutch —Each, 2/. | Nottingham —Each, 2/. |

MULBERRIES.

- Black English**—A well-known variety; the best of all. 24/- per dozen.
- Downing's Ever-bearing**—Fruit very large, measuring $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches long, very juicy, with an agreeable flavour; ripens its fruit gradually during several weeks; an enormous cropper. 2/6 each.
- Hick's Ever-bearing**—Produces its fruit continuously during three months; fruit of large size, very juicy, with a fine acidulous flavour. 2/6 each.
- White**—The leaves of this are used for feeding silkworms. 12/- per dozen.

GRAPE VINES.

PRICE—6/- per Doz.

Black Frontignan	Lady Down's Seedling
Black Hamburg	Madresfield Court Black Muscat
Black Malaga	Malaga Muscatel
Black Muscat	Mrs. Prince's Black Muscat
Black Prince	Muscat of Alexandria
Black St. Peter's	Muscat Gordo Blanco
Buckland's Sweetwater	Muscat Hamburg
Centennial	Raisin des Dames
Crystal	Red Frontignan
Doradilla	Red Malaga
Duchess of Buccleugh	Red Prince
Golden Champion	Royal Ascot
Golden Chasselas	Sultana
Grand Turk	Sweetwater
Green's Early	Waltham Cross
Gros Colmer	Zante Currant
Lady's Finger	

GOOSEBERRIES.

PRICE—4/- to 6/- per Doz.; 25/- per 100.

Alma (white)	Gunner (yellow)	Queen of Sheba
Billy Dean (red)	Heart of Oak (green)	(white)
Bright Venus (white)	High Sheriff (yellow)	Red Ocean (red)
Clayton (red)	Keen's Seedling	Ricardo (red)
Conquering Hero	(red)	Rifleman (red)
(red)	Keepsake (white)	Roaring Lion (red)
Crown Bob (red)	Lady Leicester	Rockwood (yellow)
Dan's Mistake (red)	(white)	Smiling Beauty
Dobson's Seedling	Leveller (yellow)	(white)
(green)	Lions Provider (red)	Superb (yellow)
Dublin (yellow)	Lord Crew (green)	Trumpeter (yellow)
Early Sulphur	Marlborough (red)	Turnout (yellow)
(yellow)	Ostrich (white)	Warrington (red)
Gill's Seedling	Postman (white)	Whitesmith (white)
(green)		Yellow Lion (yellow)

CURRENTS.

Price—4/- to 6/- per Doz.

Bertyn's No. 9 (red)	Lee's Prolific (black)
Black Grape	North Star (new) 1/- each
Black Naples	Red Cherry
Carter's Black Champion	Red Imperial
Chenanceau (red)	White Dutch
Dunnett's Champion (black)	White Imperial
Fay's Prolific (red)	White La Versailles
Laing's Mammoth (red)	Wilmot's White
La Versailles (red)	

NUTS AND FILBERTS.

PRICE—1/6 each.

Cosford	Webb's Prize Daviana
Kentish Cob	„ „ Exhibition
Red Filbert	„ „ Red Skinned
Webb's Prize Cobb	„ „ White Skinned

WALNUTS.

Black (*Juglans Nigra*). 2/- each.

Common—A well-known variety. Per dozen, 12/- to 18/-.

Dwarf Prolific—This is a very fine variety, fruiting much earlier than the "Common." Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-.

Hickory (*Carya Sulcata*). 2/- each.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi*)—A hard-shelled nut, good flavour, and heavy bearer; this is a very beautiful ornamental tree. 2/- each, or 18/- per dozen.

Japanese (*Juglans Sieboldi Cordiformis*)—Similar to above, but nut much harder and heart-shaped. 2/- each, 18/- per dozen.

Pecan Nut—This is largely grown in America, and comes into bearing in from eight to ten years from seeds; it bears regular and heavy crops. Nuts long, thin-shelled; flesh oily, and of fine flavour. Price 2/6 each.

SPANISH CHESTNUTS.

Common—Per dozen, 18/- to 24/-.

Downton—Large fruited, with large foliage, and early bearer. 3/6 each.

Japanese—Very large fruit, tree strong and rapid grower, very distinct. 2/- to 3/6 each.

SPANISH CHESTNUTS (CONTINUED).

Marion—Large fruited. 3/6 each.

Paragon—Hardy, productive, large, and of excellent quality. 3/6 each.

Parry's Giant—Strong grower, with fine large leaves, and nuts of good quality. 3/6 each.

Superb—Fruit fine, and an early bearer. 3/6 each.

RASPBERRIES.

Belle de Fontenay—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Cornwell's Yellow—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Cuthbert (Queen of the Market)—This variety is more largely grown for market purposes than any other red raspberry in America. It is a sturdy grower, and does not require tying or staking. Fruit medium size, good flavour. 2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Fastolf—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Franconia—A first-class red raspberry; fruit very large, of good flavour, and a strong grower; about two weeks earlier than "Northumberland Fillbasket." 2/6 per dozen.

Golden Queen—A seedling from "Cuthbert," resembling that variety in hardiness and vigorous growth. A most abundant bearer, producing fruit of the largest size and delicious flavour; colour beautiful yellow. 2/- per dozen; 12/- per 100.

Imperial—A strong growing variety after the style of "Cuthbert;" fruit large, red, and fine. 2/6 per dozen.

Northumberland Fillbasket—The best of all raspberries for all purposes; fruit very large, and heavy bearer. 7/6 to 10/- per 100. Special quotation per 1000.

Northumberland Fillbasket, Thornless—This is exactly the same in fruit and foliage as "Northumberland Fillbasket," but the canes are entirely free from thorns, being perfectly smooth. This should prove a great advantage and labour-saving in tying them up, and they must become a favourite variety with raspberry growers. 2/6 per dozen, or 10/- per 100.

Royal Church—Imported from France; strong growing, large size, delicious flavour, very productive; ripens earlier than "Cuthbert." 3/6 per dozen.

Semper Fidelis—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

Superbe d'Angleterre—Very large, red. 3/6 per dozen.

Superlative (Laxton)—This is an English-raised variety, and considered in that country to be one of the very best raspberries in cultivation. 3/6 per dozen.

Yellow Antwerp—2/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

BLACK CAP RASPBERRIES.

PRICE—9/- per doz.

Davidson's Thornless—This is a thornless variety, of free growth; fruit small, black; good for drying.

Gregg—The largest and best of all the "Black Caps;" fruit firm, dark purple, with heavy bloom; an abundant bearer.

Mammoth Cluster—This is one of the largest fruits of the "Black Cap," and a free bearer.

BLACKBERRIES, Etc.

Crandell's—This variety blooms all throughout the winter months, but so far I have not found the fruit of much use. 6/- per dozen.

Himalayan—A very strong grower, with very large fruit; heavy bearer; one of the best. 9/- per dozen.

Italian Cut-leaved—This variety has most beautiful foliage in the autumn, and very fair fruit.

Lawton's—This is perhaps the best of all for market; it grows more like a raspberry, the bearing cane dying each year. With plenty of moisture the fruit is very large, and an enormous cropper. 6/- per dozen, or 20/- per 100.

Lucretia Dewberry—A new trailing blackberry, bearing large luscious berries in the greatest profusion. 6/- per dozen.

Mammoth—Raised by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, California, and rightly named "Mammoth" on account of the enormous size of its fruits. This, together with its productiveness, earliness, length of time in bearing, good flavour, and excellence for dessert or cooking, makes it one of the best berries either for home or market use. 1/6 each.

Wilson's Junior—Rather smaller fruit than "Lawton's," which it resembles, but ripens much earlier. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Golden Mayberry (*rubus incisus*)—A strong growing variety of the bramble class, with very pretty, much-divided foliage, large bell-shaped pendulous blossom, followed by large, sweet, luscious berries of a golden colour. 6/- per dozen.

Japanese Wineberry—The fruit is similar to raspberry in shape; colour bright glossy scarlet; sweet, juicy, and of agreeable flavour; strong grower, and quite an ornamental shrub. This tree is only good in cool, moist districts. 9d. each, or 6/- per dozen.

The Logan Berry—This fruit, which appears to be a cross between a cultivated red raspberry and a variety of Californian wild blackberry, was grown by Judge J. H. Logan, of Santa Cruz, Cal., from seed, in 1894. The fruit is sometimes an inch and a quarter long, the shape of a blackberry, the colour of a dark red raspberry, and a combination of the flavours of both. 1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

OLIVES.**PRICE—2/- each; 18/- per doz.**

The following are the commercial Olives for oil-producing purposes.

Black Italian	Large Fruiting
Boquettier	Lucca
Early Blanquet	Salouen
Frontoiana (<i>Lucca</i>)	Picholine
Grosse Rendounow	Verdale
Late Blanquet	

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS, ETC.

- Berberry (*Berberis vulgaris*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.
 Guava (*Psidium cattleianum*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.
 Juneberry (*Amelanchier Canadensis*)—2/6 each.
 Loquat (*Eriobotrya Japonica*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.
 Passion Fruit (*Passiflora edulis*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.
 Pomegranate (*Punica granatum*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.
 Sweet Bay (*Lauris nobilis*)—1/- each, 9/- per dozen.

STRAWBERRIES.

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| Bidwell—2/- doz., or 5/- per 100. | Melon—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Captain—2/- doz., 5/- 100. | Oscar—2/- doz. |
| Comte de Paris—2/- doz. | Pink's Prolific—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Early White—2/- doz. | Red Alpine—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Edith Christy—2/6 per 100. | Red Chilian—2/- doz., 5/- 100. |
| Frogmore (late "Pine")—2/- doz. | Royal Sovereign—3/- doz., 10/- 100. |
| Gandy—2/- doz. (new) | Sensation—3/6 doz. (new). |
| La Chalonnaise—2/- doz. | Sir Joseph Paxton—2/- doz. |
| La Marguerite—2/6 per 100, or 15/- per 1,000. | Stirling Castle Pine—2/- doz. |
| Lee's Prolific—2/- doz. | Trollope's Victoria—2/6 100. |
| Louis Gauthier—3/- doz. | White Chilian—2/6 100. |

NEW STRAWBERRY.

Melba—This is without exception the best strawberry that has come under my notice. The fruit is large, brilliant red, and of the best flavour; when grown in good land, with plenty of moisture, it will bear good crops from beginning of November to May.. As the young runners commence to fruit as soon as well rooted, they should be left, making beds, say, 3 feet wide, grown into a solid mass. Although the fruit is covered with foliage, it will still be fully coloured. I would strongly recommend this variety to strawberry growers. Price, 3/- per dozen; 10/- per 100.

RHUBARB.

Early Albert—A fine early, medium-size rhubarb. 9/- per doz.

Hogan's Shillelah—Very hardy and prolific, large, and of good quality. 9/- per dozen.

Johnston's St. Martin's—A fine large variety, of good flavour. 9/- per dozen.

Myatt's Linnaeus—Very early and prolific, flavour all that can be desired; a valuable variety for general use. 9/- per doz.

Stott's Monarch—This is the largest rhubarb grown; the leaves and stems are of enormous size. 18/- per doz.

Topp's Winter—This is a most valuable variety, as it furnishes a large quantity of stems of very fine flavour and colour all through the winter months, when fruit is scarce. 9/- per dozen.

Topp's Winter Improved—Similar to the above, but a more erect grower. 9/- per dozen.

Wilson's Winter—This variety differs from other winter varieties. It has stouter and shorter stalks, which are of a bright scarlet their entire length, of good flavour. 9/- per dozen.

ORNAMENTAL TREES

For Shade and Street Planting.

Acer Colchicum rubrum—2/6 each.

„ „ **viridis**—2/6 each.

„ **Platanoides** (Sycamore)—12/- per dozen.

„ „ **purpurea Reitenbachii**—2/6 each.

„ **Pseudo-platanus purpurea**—18/- per dozen.

Acer Sacharinum (Sugar Maple)—2/- each.

„ **Virginicum heterophylla**—2/6 each.

ORNAMENTAL TREES (CONTINUED).

- Acer Verginicum rubrum**—2/6 each.
 „ **Vieri laciniata**—2/6 each.
Ash, English (*Fraxinus excelsior*)—18/- per doz.
 „ **Golden** (*Fraxinus aurea*)—2/- each.
Beech, Common (*Fagus sylvatica*)—18/- per dozen.
Birch (*Betula alba*)—18/- per dozen.
Carya Sulcata (Hickory)—18/- per dozen.
Calycanthus Præcox—18/- per dozen.
Carpinus Betulus (*Hornbeam*)—18/- per dozen.
English Laurel (*Lauro-cerasus*)—9/- per dozen.
Elms, Canadian—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Chichester**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Crispum**—Crested Elm—2/- each.
 „ **English**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Huntingdon**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Montana Major**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Monumentalis**—2/- each.
 „ **Purple**—£7/10/- per 100.
 „ **Umbraculifera** (New)—3/6 each.
Gincko Biloba (*Syn.* “*Salisburia Adiantifolia*”—18/- per dozen.
Horse Chestnut—18/- to 24/- per dozen.
Laburnum (*Cytisus Laburnum*)—12/- per dozen.
Liriodendron Tulipiferum (Tulip Tree)—18/- per dozen.
Melia Azederach (White Cedar)—18/- per dozen.
Mountain Ash (*Sorbus aucuparia*)—18/- per dozen.
Oaks, English (*Quercus robur*)—£5 to £7 10/- per 100.
 „ **Hodgensii** (Evergreen)—2/6 each.
 „ **Scarlet** (*Quercus coccinea*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ „ (*Quercus pallustris*)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Turkey** (*Quercus cerris*)—18/- per dozen.
Planes, Oriental—£5 to £7 10/- per 100.
Populus Alba (Silver Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Bolleana** (Silver Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Candensis Aurea Van Geerti**—New, small, 2/6 each.
 „ **Dilitata** (Upright Poplar)—small, 12/- per dozen.
 „ **Macrophylla** (Ontario Poplar)—18/- per dozen.
Privet (Evergreen)—7/6 per 100.
Tilia Dasystyla—2/6 each.
 „ **Europea** (Lime on Linden)—18/- per dozen.
 „ **Platophylla**—2/6 each.
 „ **Spectabilis**—2/6 each.

PEACHES (Double Flowering)

PRICE—18/- per doz.

Double White	Double Splendens
„ Crimson	„ Versicolour
„ Pink	

CHERRIES (Double Flowering)

PRICE—1/6 each.

French (Double White).
Japan (in seven varieties), semi-double, varying in colour from pure white to crimson.

HAWTHORN (Double and Single Flowering)

PRICE—1/6 each.

Double Crimson	Double White
„ Pink	Single Scarlet

PRICE—2/- each.

Aria Chrissophylla	Korolkow
Chlorosarca	Layi
Cordata	Mexicana
Douglassi	Orientalis

TABLE

Showing the Number of Plants required for an Acre of Land.

Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.	Distance Apart.	Number of Plants.
Feet.		Feet.		Feet.	
30	48	16	169	8	680
28	55	15	193	7	889
26	64	14	222	6	1201
24	75	13	257	5	1742
22	90	12	302	4	2722
20	100	11	360	3	4840
19	120	10	435	2	10,890
18	134	9	537	1	43,560
17	150				

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MELBOURNE, 28th FEBRUARY, 1903.

THE GEMBROOK HILLS. RAISING FRUIT AND ORNA- MENTAL TREES.

[BY OUR HORTICULTURAL REPORTER.]

THE raising of fruit trees in Victoria has attained such a high standard of development, both as regards quantity and quality, that the output is now beyond that of all the other states combined. Owing to the enterprise of individual nurserymen, coupled with the advantages peculiar to our soil and climate, nursery stock raised in certain districts of this state has established a reputation throughout the Commonwealth and New Zealand which is unrivalled, while the annual exports of young trees to South Africa form another feature which tends to emphasise this claim. To-day, many thousands of trees, scattered throughout Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, stand as practical evidence of the value of nursery stock raised in Victoria, and, though several of our largest nurseries are more heavily stocked than usual this year, the demand for the coming season promises to be in excess of the supply. When the inter-state conference of delegates met in Melbourne to discuss matters relating to vegetation diseases legislation, the opportunity was taken to visit a number of leading nurseries. The several visiting experts were so deeply impressed with the cleanliness and quality of the stock inspected, that in each instance we gained friends where previously a certain antagonism was shown to anything raised in Victoria. This result alone, it is fair to assume, has largely helped our nurserymen in their business operations,

as every visitor would become an advertising agent of no mean value.

One of the largest nurseries in Victoria, and consequently in the Commonwealth, is situated near the Emerald railway station. Here, amidst picturesque surroundings of timber-clad hills, fern gullies, and ever-flowing streams of spring water, Mr. C. A. Nobelius established the Gembrook Nurseries about twelve years ago. Unfortunately, travellers on the Fern Tree Gully and Gembrook narrow gauge line cannot view this extensive plantation from the train, though only one mile and a half distant, but to those who choose to visit the place the sight is one that will impress even visitors who may not be directly interested in horticulture.

Mr. Nobelius originally planted a small orchard, and it was owing to the excellent results obtained, so far as concerned the rapid development of the young trees, that he was encouraged to devote time to the raising of nursery stock. The deep, chocolate soil of the locality is exceptionally well adapted to the development of fibrous root growth of strong character, and this feature is claimed as one upon which the true value of trees raised in this nursery obtain their good name. During the past twelve years Mr. Nobelius has gradually extended the area devoted to the raising of fruit and ornamental trees, and he now has fully 100 acres (an exceptional nursery area), devoted to close upon 1,000,000 trees in various stages of development.

The practice in the Gembrook Nurseries is to plough and harrow the land, and afterwards to turn the soil over with the spade, and from the time when the

young trees are planted out the surface is kept clear of weeds, and maintained in a fine state of tilth. Order and uniformity are features which are at once apparent to the visitor. Row upon row of evenly grown trees stand as proof of careful work, and the absence of weeds is a feature which is truly remarkable in circumstances where such a large area is so closely packed with young trees. Cleanliness is everywhere in evidence. No blight, to cite one common disease, can be found. This result is not surprising when it is learnt that the proprietor, instead of washing a young tree with one of the prescribed mixtures should signs of the woolly aphis be found, takes the tree out—root, stock, and branch—and burns it. Mr. Nobelius, by this drastic method, rids the nursery of a pest in a manner which leaves no doubt as to its effectiveness.

A remarkable evenness of growth strikes one as an attractive feature when strolling over the seemingly endless paths which divide this nursery into many compact sections. Several blocks comprising an extensive collection of all the leading apples, and many others as yet not so well known, show young trees of fine appearance. Mr. Nobelius retains the stock in the nursery for an extra year, and the trees are healthy and strong, without any tendency towards rank growth. Thousands of "Northern Spy" stocks are raised and used as blight-proof foundation for the bulk of the apple trees sent out of this nursery, while a limited number of varieties not suited to the "Spy" are worked on "Majetin" stocks. There are at present 600,000 apple trees in various stages of development, comprising leading varieties, such as "Cleopatra," "Jonathan," "Munro's Favourite," "Rome Beauty," and "Ribston Pippins," in blocks ranging up to 20,000 specimens. Several good apples have been raised in New Zealand of late years, all of which are blight-proof, and one variety, "John Sharp," was easily disposed of by Mr. Nobelius

last year. There is a good supply of the latter variety, and another New Zealand apple, "Climax," is also available. "Kooroochiang," a seedling raised by Mr. R. Whatmore, of Smeaton, is fruiting at the Gembrook nurseries this season, and two American importations, "Delicious" and "Senator," are of good repute.

Detailed descriptions of other fruits would mean a repetition of our notes, so far at least as concerns the character of the growth. Passing mention may be made, however, of extensive nursery beds in which well-grown specimens of peaches are to be seen, the growth being perhaps more pronounced than in any other section. Nectarines, almonds and apricots are also strongly in evidence, while extensive supplies of cherries, all grown on non-suckering stocks, pears, plums, figs, quinces, oranges, lemons, and the several berry producing plants, are all well represented. Persimmons are raised, the plants being grafted on stocks raised from imported seeds. The Gembrook Nursery specimens develop strong root growth, and are in many ways superior to the trees commonly imported from Japan. In the walnut section there are six varieties, the most noteworthy being the "Black," "Japanese," "Hickory" and "Pecan" nut. The "Lucretia Dewberry" and the "Loganberry" are the most satisfactory of several new trailing plants imported from America, while a new seedless orange from Japan, the "Oonshi," promises well for districts where frosts prove troublesome to citrus growers. This orange has fruited at Gembrook, and is evidently well adapted to cool districts.

Ornamental trees, of which there is a large and varied collection, form an important section of the stock raised by Mr. Nobelius. If it be justifiable to particularise in a nursery containing such a large quantity of evenly balanced trees, special mention should be made of the "Oriental Planes." These trees, even in the monotonously regular order

of a nursery, form beautiful masses of foliage, branching out from tall, straight stems. A special feature as regards the treatment of ornamental trees, more so in the case of those intended for street planting, is noteworthy. Instead of removing the lateral shoots, and thereby exposing the stem to the direct influence of the sun, Mr. Nobelius spurs in all those growing from the main stem. Protection is by this means afforded, while the tendency is to increase the size and develop a well shaped and tapering trunk. Fine specimens of the various oaks, elms, beeches, birches, hickory, chestnuts, ash, poplars, limes and others noted for their ornamental attractions, are all characterised by healthy and clean growth. The crab apple is not commonly seen in Australian gardens, but it is a tree well worthy of attention for its beauty, both as regards foliage and blossom, and it is interesting to note that the proprietor

has established a stock comprising all the leading varieties of this tree.

Mr. Nobelius makes a special study of the adaptability of varieties of trees to different districts, and his annual visits to the several states and New Zealand, combined with the information now available regarding the development of trees sent out from the Gembrook nurseries, furnishes a sound basis for the guidance of future operations. Generally, this well-equipped nursery is conducted on methodical and smooth working lines, the proprietor being favored with the assistance of Mr. Oscar Nobelius and other sons, who are thoroughly in touch with such varied duties as budding, grafting, planting, cultivation and packing. A foreman and staff of experienced workmen comprise men who are skilled in labour which, as yet, is comparatively scarce in Australia.



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A NURSERY IN THE HILLS.

At Emerald, near Gembrook, and near the centre of the Dandenong Ranges, at an altitude of about 800 ft. above sea-level, is one of the best-kept nurseries, and probably the largest in the Australian colonies, the property of Mr. C. A. Nobelius. The entire estate consists of 150 acres, and upwards of 60 acres of this are devoted to nursery stock.

It is not a general nursery in the common acceptation of the term. With the exception of such fruit-bearing plants as guavas, loquats, and passion-vines, which are best grown in pots, there are no pot-grown plants—everything is grown in the open ground. Hundreds of thousands of various kinds of fruit trees are grown, besides ornamental trees suitable for street and park planting. Camellias, azaleas, and a few other shrubs, and some bulbs, for which both soil and climate are specially adapted, are also cultivated.

The long drive of 14 miles between Narre Warren, the nearest railway station, and the nursery, a very hilly, and, in places, a very bad road, is a drawback to visitors, but very shortly the narrow-gauge railway from Fern-tree Gully to Gembrook will be opened, and, as there will be a station about a mile only from the nursery, it is likely there will in the future be numerous visitors to see the fine lot of nursery stuff and of bearing fruit trees which the enterprising proprietor will only be too pleased to have inspected.

The deep chocolate soil is particularly suitable for nursery purposes. In it all kinds of fruit trees root well, and the

advantage of well-rooted stuff is known to all experienced planters. At the Gembrook nursery are to be found 50 kinds of strawberries. These are cultivated for their runners, and not solely for their fruit. The end of February is not the best time to inspect strawberry beds, but we found a few kinds in bearing. "The Mikado" is a new American variety, a free grower and bearer, with handsome scarlet fruit. This has not yet been sent out. "Royal Sovereign" is of the largest size, a glossy scarlet, of first-class flavour, hardy and prolific. "Victor Douay" is from France, and promises to be first-class for market.

About a score varieties of raspberries are grown, but Mr. Nobelius pins his faith to the "Northumberland Fillbasket," and a variety of this which is thornless, and also a little earlier. Of these two kinds he has $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres trellised on two wires, with uprights 20ft. apart. The rows are 7ft. apart, and the plants are put in 1ft. apart. The canes are neither particularly strong nor tall, but medium-sized canes are said to yield better than very rank ones. There is no irrigation carried on in any part of this nursery, but the raspberries are manured yearly with superphosphate and muriate of potash, two tons of the former and half a ton of the latter being used to the $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres.

The two best gooseberries for the district are the "Crown Bob" and "Roaring Lion." A stock is being raised by grafting of the new French spineless kind, but the value of this novelty cannot yet be reported upon.

Quite a collection of Japanese, American, and other blackberries are found here. The "Lucretia Dewberry" promises well; the plant trails on the ground,

it bears luscious berries of a longish shape. From about 20 yards of plants two bucketsful of fruit were gathered. It is said to do well in Sydney and other hot places. The "Black Cap" raspberries have not been a success. The "Wineberry" is liked up here, but is of little value about Melbourne, except as an ornamental shrub. "Wilson's Junior" is not as good as Lawton's, which it resembles. The Japanese "Golden Mayberry" (*Rubus incisus*) promises well. It is a strong grower, with pretty foliage, large pendulous blossoms, with fruit like a yellow raspberry. The "Juneberry" has pretty white flowers, fruit like a currant, first of a red colour, changing to bluish-black. The "Himalayan" blackberry has magnificent large foliage, and is specially suitable for covering fences or old buildings.

For some years past Victorian nurserymen have been sending to Japan for their persimmon plants. They need do this no longer. Here are found 3,000 locally-grafted plants on stocks raised from imported seeds from America and Europe, the kinds of stocks being "Diospyros Kaki" and "D. Virginicus." There are 25 named varieties of these plants, and the young stuff is a picture to look at, chiefly single stems, but a few branched with magnificent foliage on them. They produce in this soil splendid fibrous roots, and it is well known that imported trees are invariably badly rooted. An order for 300 of these has just been received from Natal.

Of the 14 kinds of quinces grown here, the apple-shaped is considered the best of the old varieties; the "Portugal" is very large, but a shy bearer. "Rea's Mammoth" will probably turn out well. The "Hong Kong" is an extraordinary quince, now in fruit. It has red flowers, and when the fruit is about half grown it has a reddish bloom on it. The foliage dies away of an orange-red colour.

A magnificent new nectarine is named "Goldmine." It was raised in Auckland, is of enormous size, and of delicious flavour. A peach which will beat

"Briggs's Red May" must be a valuable variety, but "High's Early Canada" ripens the same time, and is a better bearer. A beautiful new peach, which in spring has the brilliant crimson colour of "Iresene Lindeni," is fading off now to a bronze. This will be valuable for shrubbery planting.

The stock of apple trees is immense. Out of the 168 varieties kept in stock only a few dozen kinds are grown in in quantity. Of "Jonathan," "Five-crown Pippin," "Rome Beauty" and "Cleopatra" about 10,000 of each kind are grown; then come such varieties as "Rymer," "Reinette du Canada," "Munroe's Favourite" and "Æsopus Spitzenberg." This latter kind where it succeeds is reckoned even better than "Jonathan." "Stone Pippin" is a general favourite, but is apt to be blown off by the wind, and "Munroe's Favourite" is very similar and to be preferred. "Brownlee's Russet" is a grand cropper in the ranges, and a valuable variety. It should be mentioned that, although large numbers of some kinds are propagated, the trees are not all for local use. The "Cleopatra," for instance, is almost worthless at Emerald and some other places, but in South Australia, also at Harcourt, it is one of the best. Those kinds of trees which are in demand must be grown, as trees are sent from here to all the Australian colonies, South Africa, etc. This season 130,000 Spy stocks are being budded, but the 10 budders which we saw at work will soon complete their work.

Some of the Japanese plums are highly recommended for hot districts. They are good croppers, and tremendous bearers; they have nearly all very small stones, and the fruit will keep some time without decaying. "Wickson" is perhaps the best of the lot, but "Kelsey" and "Burbank" are very fine. The "Blood" plum (Satsuma) makes a fine preserve.

One of the finest sights in the nursery is a plantation of 25,000 trees of peaches, nectarines, and almonds, all in magnifi-

cent condition, the chief peaches grown being "Brigg's Red May," "Elberta," and "Hale's Early." "Alsace" and "Moor Park" are the principal apricots grown. The former is hardier in constitution, but very similar to the other in

appearance. The Chinese or "Sand" pear is proved to be the best stock in this district for working upon; it is not attacked with the fungus disease. A piece of these contains 40,000 stocks for grafting on.

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NOTES AT GEMBROOK.

A NOTICE of the Gembrook nurseries would not be complete without some reference being made to the large collection of forest trees cultivated there. Upwards of a dozen distinct kinds of elms are propagated, but, as with fruit trees, only two or three are grown in quantity, and these chiefly for street and avenue planting. There are beautiful gold and silver variegated varieties the crisp-leaved and the monumental elms, which are eminently suitable for planting in shrubberies, but of no value for street or avenue work. The umbrella elm (*Ulmus umbraculifera*) is quite a new kind just imported from France, and it bids fair to be a valuable addition to our ornamental trees.

In planting the streets of Melbourne. Bendigo, Ballarat, etc., various kinds of elms have been used, but the old English elm (*U. campestris*) is generally esteemed the best. The true Chichester (not the Huntingdon, which is sometimes sold for it) ranks perhaps next. For a poor soil and an exposed position the cork-barked (*U. suberosa*) elm is to be recommended, but it is late in leafing and early in shedding its foliage.

In growing his street trees Mr. Nobelius adopts the wisest system of not cutting away the lateral shoots, and so exposing the stem to the influence of the sun, which, while the tree is young and the bark tender, is very apt to get scorched. He simply spurs in the shoots which

grow from the main stem, and so protects the latter; it tends to increase its size, and form a symmetrical tapering trunk.

The Oriental plane (*Platanus orientalis*) is in great demand. In one piece there are 5000 plants, averaging about four feet in height, but these by the time the lifting season comes round will have added perhaps a couple of feet to their stature.

In places where it thrives the American tulip tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera*) is a magnificent subject for planting where shade and ornament combined are wanted, but it wants a fairly good soil and immunity from drought and hot winds.

In addition to the ordinary trees found in nurseries, there are several only suitable for cool mountainous districts cultivated at Gembrook. The birch, both the silver and purple leaved; the beech, both the common and copper coloured; English limes (*Tilias*); various kinds of acers, rhus, etc.

As tree seeds cannot always be relied upon as being fresh, it is found better to import from Europe seedling plants in a small state; these generally travel well, and after being planted out for two or three years make good strong stuff, ready for permanent planting. Even cherry stocks are imported. The Mazzard stock is liked, inasmuch as it does not produce suckers, the great objection to the common Kentish; the Mahaleb is recommended as an excellent cherry stock for cool districts.

DOES FRUIT-GROWING PAY?

THE above is a question we are often asked by intending planters. We believe that there is no business in Australia that would pay better than fruit-growing if proper varieties were planted, such as can be used in some shape or form for export—either in its natural state, in pulp, dried, or otherwise preserved. There is a good demand for dried fruit, especially prunes, and we have quite an unlimited market for our apples in Europe, whither they can now be shipped in good order.

At present most of our orchards are too small, as there are very few that can ship even 1000 cases at a time. Why do not some of our capitalists try an orchard of, say, 1000 acres? The capital required for buying the land, planting, and keeping in order until in profit would not be over £20,000, as there should be plenty of good orchard land to be had at £5 per acre that would not require much clearing. A nett profit of 1/- per tree would give £5000, or 25 per cent. on the capital, and 1/- per tree would be a very small profit if in full bearing. We have taken as much as 30/- gross off a tree planted about eight years ago. It would not be anything out of the way for a tree to give, in fair seasons, a net return of 4/-, which would just be 100 per cent. on the capital.

Of course an orchard must be well looked after, and kept thoroughly clean and free from pests, which is easily done if started in the beginning; the trees must be properly pruned, and a man of thorough knowledge to superintend the whole. The larger the area planted the less will be the cost per tree in working expenses. No crops should be grown between the rows of trees unless manured and kept clean, and then only for two or three years. Peas, potatoes or other root crops, and strawberries may be grown if soil and climate are suitable, but on no account should hay crops or grain be grown. At least a distance of six or seven feet should be free from any crop on each side of the rows of trees, and well cultivated during the summer months.

Small orchards from 5 to 20 acres would not pay a capitalist, but would make a good living for a man and his family with moderate means, and a most pleasant life, as in fruit-growing, if he is successful, he can always find a time in the year to enjoy his money. He will have a very busy time during the fruit picking, pruning and cleansing, but can always find, if his work is well forward, that he can spare a month or so in the year for travelling, or what other enjoyment he likes best.



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